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# AWARD OF MERIT

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For outstanding achievement of its  
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during 1952.

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# ANNUAL REPORT

of the

# Town of Wilton

Year Ending

January 31, 1953

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## IMPORTANT

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All Taxpayers should read the following and comply with it, Section 35, Chapter 81, Revised Statutes of Maine, 1944:

Before making an assessment, the Assessors shall give Reasonable Notice in writing to the Inhabitants by posting notifications in some public place in Town, or shall notify them, in such other ways as the Town at its Annual Meeting directs, to make and bring in to them true and perfect lists of their polls and all their estates, real, and personal, not by law exempt from taxation, of which they were possessed on the first day of April of the same year. If any resident owner after being reasonably requested thereto by the Assessors does not bring in such lists, he is thereby barred of his right to make application to the Assessors or the County Commissioners for any abatement of his taxes, unless he offers such list with his application and satisfies them that he was unable to offer it at the time appointed. The request upon non-resident owners may be proved by a notice sent by mail directed to the last known address of the Taxpayer or given by any other method that brings notice home to the Taxpayer.

The cover of this report was taken from one of our Revaluation Aerial Photographs. Scale one inch equals 100 feet.

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# TOWN OFFICERS

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## Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of Poor

KENNETH R. GIFFORD

HAROLD L. YOUNG

HARRY L. STANSFIELD

AARON F. PARKER

GEORGE H. BASS II

## Town Manager

### Treasurer

### Road Commissioner

### Purchasing Agent

### Tax Collector

### Excise Tax Collector

JAMES M. ORDWAY

## Town Clerk

HOWARD E. KYES

## Superintending School Committee

FLOYD ADAMS

C. FRANCIS EGAN

HAROLD M. KARKOS

## Health Officer

MAYNARD B. COLLEY, M. D.

## Moderator

HUBERT I. RYAN

## Fire Chief

RAYMOND WHITNEY

## Assistant Fire Chiefs

LESTER LOTHROP

HOWARD YEATON

**Constables**

JAMES M. ORDWAY  
RICHARD E. TRASK

ROBERT E. WOOD  
HARLAND HUTCHINSON

**Hall Agent**  
BLAINE TRASK

**Community Building Custodian**  
ROBERT E. WOOD

**Public Weigher**  
J. WALDRON MARBLE

**Truant Officer**  
MID W. BROWN

**Surveyor of Wood, Bark and Lumber**  
MOTT SEARLES

**Fence Viewers**  
EARL HARNDEN    CLIFFORD NOYES    FREEDOM RAND

**Sealer of Weights and Measures**  
RAYMOND WHITNEY

**Building Inspector**  
ALBERT T. FIEL

**Chimney Inspector**  
ROBERT E. WOOD

**Sextons**  
ARTHUR ROWE    W. W. ADAMS    C. W. BUTTERFIELD

**Finance Committee**  
FREEDOM RAND, Chairman    WENDELL D. BROWN  
HOWARD E. KYES, Secretary    CLIFFORD NOYES  
CHARLES C. SWETT    LINWOOD A. ROLFE  
ROY P. GIFFORD    FRED A. BLANCHARD  
DONALD McKEEN    MID W. BROWN  
ROLAND OSGOOD    C. FRANCIS EGAN  
LEWIS PAINE    ALBERT T. FIEL  
ROBERT PIERCE    RAYMOND WHITNEY    RALPH C. HALL

# Warrant for Annual Town Meeting

To James M. Ordway, a Constable of the Town of Wilton in the  
County of Franklin and State of Maine, or any other Constable  
in said town,

Greeting:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Wilton, in said County, to meet at the Wilton Town Hall in said Town on Monday, the second day of March, A. D. 1953, at eight o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, to wit:

## Article 1

To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

## Article 2

To choose by ballot the following officers for the ensuing year in accordance with Sections 46 to 60 inclusive of Chapter 80, Me. R. S. 1944, as amended: Town Clerk, five Selectmen, five Assessors, five Overseers of the Poor, Member of School Board for three years. The polls or ballot boxes for receiving ballots for the above mentioned officers shall be closed at 12:30 p. m.

### Article 3

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Superintending School Committee to make a contract with and pay the Trustees of Wilton Academy for the tuition of the Town's scholars qualified to attend such school, in accordance with section 96 of Chapter 37, Me. R. S. 1944, as amended.

## Article 4

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the formation of a joint committee to consist of the Superintending School Committee and an equal number of the Trustees of Wilton Academy, said joint committee to be empowered to select and employ the teachers for the Academy, to fix salaries, to arrange the courses of study and to supervise the instruc-

tion, and to formulate and enforce proper regulations pertaining to other educational activities of the school, as provided in Section 96 of Chapter 37, Me. R. S. 1944.

#### Article 5

To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to adopt forthwith Sections 109A to 109F inclusive of Chapter 204 of the Public Laws of Maine of 1945, being the Act which authorizes municipalities to establish, maintain, conduct and finance recreational facilities.

#### Article 6

To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to appoint the necessary personnel for conducting and administering said recreational program.

#### Article 7

To see how taxes shall be collected and when made payable for the ensuing year.

#### Article 8

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen, on behalf of the Town, to sell and dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town for nonpayment of taxes thereon, on such terms as they deem advisable, and to execute quit-claim deeds for such property.

#### Article 9

To see if the Town will vote to instruct its Treasurer with the consent and approval of the Selectmen to borrow sufficient money to pay the running expenses of the Town for the period between the closing of the books February 1, 1954 and the Annual Meeting in March, 1954.

#### Article 10

To see if the Town will vote to authorize its Treasurer to make temporary loans to be approved by the Selectmen and not to exceed the total tax levy of the preceding municipal year in which they are made, said money to be paid out of money raised by taxes during the current year in which said loans are made, in accordance with the provisions of Section 96 of Chapter 80, Me. R. S. 1944.

### Article 11

To see if the Town will vote to elect or appoint a Finance Committee.

### Article 12

To see if the Town will vote to reappropriate unexpended balances in the following accounts, or some of them, to the respective account for the current year:

Revaluation	\$3,900 00	Tarvia	\$ 78 99
Aid, Dependent		Town Road	
Children	354 07	Improvement	113 59
Town Poor	585 55	Civilian Defense	188 70
Intervale Cemetery	1 56	Winter Highway	513 51
Other Cemeteries	1,384 42	Fire Department	252 89
Medical Examinations	12 56	Law Enforcement	173 33
Town Dump	350 05	Street Lights	109 85
Birch Street Branch		Recreation Program	633 17
Road	1,200 00	Common Schools	1,818 10
Highway Construction	11 49	Wilton Academy	21,000 00
Special Resolve		Library Repairs	224 37
Materials	16 64		
Summer Highway	6 43		

### Article 13

To see if the Town will vote to waive printing in its annual town report an itemized list of receipts and disbursements.

### Article 14

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to the Contingent Fund \$5,000.00, being the amount of money appropriated at the 1952 Annual Meeting for Revaluation, but not raised.

Recommended — No action

### Article 15

To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of \$9,000.00, being the sum appropriated for Road Equipment at the Special Town Meeting held October 1, 1952.

Recommended — So to vote

**Article 16**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 or any part thereof, for Road Equipment.

Recommended — \$1,000 00

**Article 17**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of Common Schools for the ensuing year.

1952 appropriation — \$38,700 00

Recommended — \$53,300 00

**Article 18**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for school appliances, repairs, playgrounds and insurance on the school buildings for the ensuing year.

1952 appropriation — \$6,500 00

Recommended — \$6,500 00

**Article 19**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Superintendency of the Public Schools for the ensuing year.

1952 appropriation — \$2,000 00

Recommended — \$2,250 00

**Article 20**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to pay the members of the Superintending School Committee.

1952 appropriation — \$150 00

Recommended — \$150 00

**Article 21**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for tuition of its scholars attending Wilton Academy.

1952 appropriation — \$45,000 00

Recommended — \$40,000 00

**Article 22**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the services of a Public Health Nurse.

1952 appropriation — \$1,800 00

Recommended — \$1,800 00

**Article 23**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Summer Maintenance of Roads and Bridges.

1952 appropriation — \$6,100 00

Recommended — \$10,000 00

**Article 24**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Winter Maintenance of Roads and Bridges.

1952 appropriation — \$17,000 00      Recommended — \$17,000 00

**Article 25**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for State Aid Road Construction (in addition to amounts raised for ways and bridges under other articles in this warrant) under the provisions of Sections 25 and 29 of Chapter 20, Me. R. S. 1944, as amended.

1952 appropriation — \$1,128 00      Recommended — \$2,256 00

**Article 26**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Maintenance and Snow Removal on State Highways under section 46 of Chapter 20, Me. R. S. 1944 as amended.

1952 appropriation — \$416 80      Recommended — \$416 80

**Article 27**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for tarvia to be applied to the streets and highways of the Town.

1952 appropriation — \$5,000 00      Recommended — \$6,000 00

**Article 28**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Wilton Free Public Library Association.

1952 appropriation — \$2,250 00      Recommended — \$2,250 00

**Article 29**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for repairs to the Free Public Library Building.

1952 appropriation — \$3,000 00      Recommended — \$1,000 00

**Article 30**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for observance of Memorial Day, to be expended by Hosmer-Edwards Post No. 117, The American Legion.

1952 appropriation — \$150 00      Recommended — \$150 00

**Article 31**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for maintenance of a Fire Department for the ensuing year.

1952 appropriation — \$5,000 00                      Recommended — \$5,000 00

**Article 32**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to be paid to the Chief of the Wilton Fire Department in addition to his regular pay for attending fires.

1952 appropriation — \$350 00                      Recommended — \$350 00

**Article 33**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the care and upkeep of the East Wilton Cemetery, said money to be spent under the direction of the East Wilton Cemetery Association.

1952 appropriation — \$300 00                      Recommended — \$300 00

**Article 34**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the care and upkeep of the Intervale Cemetery.

1952 appropriation — \$150 00                      Recommended — \$200 00

**Article 35**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the care and upkeep of other cemeteries in the Town of Wilton.

1952 appropriation — \$1,500 00                      Recommended — \$1,500 00

**Article 36**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to be paid to the State of Maine Publicity Bureau to be spent as provided by Section 95 of Chapter 80, Me. R. S. 1944.

Recommended — \$150 00

**Article 37**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of Town Poor for the ensuing year.

1952 appropriation — \$3,900 00                      Recommended — \$4,000 00

**Article 38**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to be expended for recreational purposes as authorized under Articles 5 and 6 of this warrant.

1952 appropriation — \$2,000 00      Recommended — \$2,000 00

**Article 39**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to be expended for recreational purposes as authorized under Articles 5 and 6 of this warrant, in addition to the money raised and appropriated under Article 38, and for construction of a boat landing in Wilson Lake.

**Article 40**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for payment of interest on School Bonds for the ensuing year.

1952 appropriation — \$1,460 00      Recommended — \$1,320 00

**Article 41**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Retirement of School Bonds.

1952 appropriation — \$7,000 00      Recommended — \$7,000 00

**Article 42**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to pay each Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor for services for the ensuing year.

**Article 43**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for law enforcement.

1952 appropriation — \$2,500 00      Recommended — \$2,500 00

**Article 44**

To see if the Town will vote to defray Town Charges from excise tax receipts.

**Article 45**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to appropriate from the Excise Tax account to defray Town Charges.

1952 appropriation — \$13,000 00      Recommended — \$13,000 00

**Article 46**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for further construction of the New Town Garage.

Recommended — \$5,000 00

**Article 47**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for medical examinations of school children during the ensuing year.

Recommended — \$100 00

**Article 48**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from which payments shall be made to the Maine State Retirement System so that Town employees shall be covered under the provisions of the Social Security Act.

Recommended — \$1,400 00

**Article 49**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purpose of furthering a general revaluation of town property for tax purposes.

Recommended — \$8,000 00

**Article 50**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for buying or trading school busses.

Recommended — \$6,000 00

**Article 51**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for conducting a survey under the direction of the Selectmen of ways, means and costs of dealing with sewage disposal in the Town.

**Article 52**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for observance of the Town's sesquicentennial anniversary.

**Article 53**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to purchase a utility truck for the Fire Department.

**Article 54**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to be expended under the direction of the State for Pine Blister Rust control.

**Article 55**

To see if the Town will vote to construct a retaining wall along the southerly side of School Street near the grammar school.

**Article 56**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to be expended for the purposes stated in Article 55.

**Article 57**

To see if the Town will vote to improve the bridge on the Munson Road, so called, near the residence of Percy Wyman.

**Article 58**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to be expended for the purposes stated in Article 57.

**Article 59**

To see if the Town will vote to install and maintain a street light near the railroad crossing on the road from Hinkleyville, so called, to Dryden.

**Article 60**

To see if the Town will vote to install and maintain a street light in Hinkleyville, so called, near the residence of Oscar Thompson.

**Article 61**

To see if the Town will vote to install and maintain a street light in Hinkleyville, so called, near the residence of Joseph Landry.

**Article 62**

To see if the Town will vote to install and maintain a street light on the East Dixfield Road near the residence of Dorothy Lothrop.

**Article 63**

To see if the Town will vote to install and maintain a street light at the corner of Maple and Main Streets near the residence of Frank Shuman.

**Article 64**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to light the streets of Wilton, East Wilton, Dryden and East Dixfield.

**Article 65**

To see if the Town will vote to install and maintain a hydrant on the Beans Corner Road near the residence of Ernest Baker.

**Article 66**

To see if the Town will vote to install and maintain a hydrant on Webb Avenue near the residence of Gerald Howard.

**Article 67**

To see if the Town will vote to install and maintain a hydrant on Webb Avenue about 1000 feet in from U. S. Highway No. 2.

**Article 68**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for hydrant service for the ensuing year.

Recommended — \$2,630 00

**Article 69**

To see if the Town will vote to extend the sidewalk on Weld Street to the intersection with High Street, or any part of the distance.

**Article 70**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to be expended for the purposes of the preceding article.

**Article 71**

To see if the Town will vote to extend the sidewalk on the westerly side of Main Street to the American Legion Hall, or any part of the distance.

**Article 72**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to be expended for the purposes of Article 71.

**Article 73**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to improve the McAuley Road, so called, leading to the residence of Hazen Mayo.

**Article 74**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to improve the road in Hinkleyville, from Oscar Thompson's to the Jay town line.

**Article 75**

To see if the Town will vote to accept a town way as laid out by the Selectmen beginning at a point on the westerly side of Curve Street, so called, in Wilton village, and thence westerly along a right of way as now travelled to a point near the residence of Verna Cushman.

**Article 76**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to be expended to construct the way described in Article 75.

**Article 77**

To see if the Town will vote to accept a town way as laid out by the Selectmen beginning at a point on the northwesterly side of Main Street in Wilton village and southerly from the building occupied by Wilton Hardware Company, and thence northerly about six rods to a point near the residence of Norman Roberts.

**Article 78**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to be expended to construct the way described in Article 77.

**Article 79**

To see if the Town will vote to accept a town way as laid out by the Selectmen in East Wilton village running from U. S. Highway No. 2 between the residences of Albert H. Farnum and Richard W. Austin southeasterly to a point near the residence of Howard F. Wagner.

**Article 80**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to be expended to construct the way described in Article 79.

**Article 81**

To see if the Town will vote to accept a town way as laid out by the Selectmen beginning at the northerly end of the town way leading northerly from U. S. Highway No. 2 past the residence of Gerald Howard, accepted at the Special Town Meeting held June 12, 1950; thence northerly in about the same course about six hundred feet to land of Clive and Dorothy Winter.

**Article 82**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to be expended to construct the way described in Article 81.

**Article 83**

To see if the Town will vote to accept a town way as laid out by the Selectmen beginning at a point on the southerly side of School Street in Wilton village and running southerly about two hundred fifty feet to a point near the garage of Bertie and Minnie Jellison.

**Article 84**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to be expended to construct the way described in Article 83.

**Article 85**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell the building housing the Town Hall and adjoining land of the Town.

**Article 86**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell the ell of the building housing the Town Hall, with stipulation that any purchaser shall retain and allow public use of the stairs now leading to the Town Hall and to the third floor of the building, or provide other access thereto which shall first be approved by the Selectmen, before the present stairs are changed.

**Article 87**

To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to appoint a Planning Committee whose function shall be to make recommendations for accomplishing municipal improvements, especially those of a long-term nature.

**Article 88**

To see if the Town will vote to elect three assessors instead of five at the next annual Town Meeting, to elect one assessor for one year, one for two years and one for three years, and at each annual Town Meeting thereafter until further vote of the Town to elect one assessor for three years, as authorized by Section 14 of Chapter 80, Me. R. S. 1944.

The Selectmen give notice that they will be in session at the Selectmen's Office in Wilton on Saturday, February 28, 1953, to hear and decide upon the application of persons claiming a right to vote.

Given under our hands this 13th day of February, A. D. 1953.

KENNETH R. GIFFORD  
HAROLD L. YOUNG  
HARRY L. STANSFIELD  
AARON PARKER  
GEORGE H. BASS, II  
Selectmen, Town of Wilton

A true copy.

Attest: JAMES M. ORDWAY,  
Constable, Town of Wilton

# Report of Town Manager

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*To the Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Wilton:*

This report covers the activities of the fiscal year from February 1, 1952 to February 1, 1953 as will be noted in the numerous reports of all departments.

Much credit should be given your Selectmen and Assessors for the very efficient manner they have governed your town this past year; for the general financial structure that exists, and services rendered. They have given generously of their time as a policy making body for a very small compensation.

This year your Finance Committee has met each quarter, checked expenditures and offered suggestions that we feel has been very beneficial.

Through the generosity of you the citizens, we were able to exchange our 1946 Caterpillar Grader for a new Austin Western which we believe will be more adaptable to our needs.

In November 1951 we took delivery of a Case Lull Loader on a rental purchase agreement whereas all rentals would be credited to the purchase price of \$5,820.00. In November 1952 we had this loader paid for in full and believe you will agree that this piece of equipment is proving to be a very valuable addition to our fleet.

In early fall we made a start on our new Town Garage and have to date, erected the center and one equipment band. When completed, this building will have a center band 12x36 which will be divided into three 12x12 units. One for the heating plant, one for a parts room, another for the employees to eat their lunch and dry their garments when working during storms. It will also consist of eight equipment bands 16x36 which will house all town owned equipment including two school busses, as we must vacate our present quarters as quickly as possible. We are in hopes, moneys may be made available this year to complete at least two more bands and install a heating plant. Realizing this is a long range program, it is planned to ask for appropriations to build an addition each year until completed. Much thought and study

by your Board in the drafting of plans for this building, I believe will produce one that will answer a long felt need. Numerous Municipal garages were visited and we have tried to profit by their mistakes and when completed ours will be a credit to the town.

Our State Aid moneys were used this past year to reconstruct South from McCrillis Corner on the old Third Class Road towards North Chesterville approximately 800 feet. Through the generosity of the State Highway Commission in allotting us Betterment Money, we were able to reconstruct two units on the Weld Road. The first beginning at the village limits north to the home of Frankie Burbank. Another unit on the Weld Road between John Blanchard's and Justin Luce's was built this year. In the year 1953 we plan to complete the last mentioned section and rebuild a section by the Wilson Lake Country Club. The Town Road Improvement moneys were used around the Lake, beginning at the Three Corners as far as residence of Leon Chandler; from residence of Arthur Rowe to Theridan Lidstone's on Walker Hill; North of East Wilton from Murray Smith's toward Lauriston Noyes. It is planned to use our 1953 allotment on these same roads and to install a metal culvert by Elwyn Smith's which will complete this road.

Our Summer Highway moneys were used to ditch, install metal culverts and repair numerous roads in town. We have completed all special appropriations. New construction appropriation was used to rebuild the bridge on Tobin Flat, install a 40x40 culvert by the Dryden Post Office, install numerous other culverts, widen and rebuild many sections preparatory to the State acceptance for winter snow removal.

In the Winter Highway account, even though the spring of 1952 was very expensive due to the unusual amount of snow, the cost of salt and sand has been a tremendous expense this past year. At the closing of our books on January 31, 1953, we had used approximately sixty tons of salt and 1200 yards of sand, but fortunately we are able to show an unexpended balance of \$513.51.

In closing, I wish to thank Mr. Fernald, Mrs. Briggs, the Selectmen and you the citizens, for the fine cooperation I have received this past year which has made my working for and with you, a pleasure.

JAMES M. ORDWAY

# Report of Assessors

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No. of Polls Taxed	949
No. of Polls Not Taxed	86
Poll Assessment	\$3.00
Rate of Taxation	.082

Value of Real Estate, Resident	\$1,577,685 00
Value of Real Estate, Non-Resident	137,700 00
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Total Value of Real Estate	\$1,715,385 00

Value of Personal Estate, Resident	\$592,990 00
Value of Personal Estate, Non-Resident	25,205 00
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Total Value of Personal Estate	618,195 00
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Total Valuation	\$2,333,580 00

Town Tax	\$186,601 80
County Tax	6,656 53
Overlay	942 23
Supplemental	520 84
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Tax Commitment	\$194,721 40

Tax Rate .082 x Valuation \$2,333,580	\$191,353 56
949 Polls at \$3.00	2,847 00
Supplemental Tax	520 84
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Tax committed to Collector	\$194,721 40

KENNETH R. GIFFORD  
HAROLD L. YOUNG  
HARRY L. STANSFIELD  
AARON F. PARKER  
GEORGE H. BASS II

# Report of Tax Collector

	1952		
Amount of Tax Commitment June 5, 1952	\$194,200	56	
Supplemental Tax, Real and Personal	394	84	
Supplement Poll	126	00	
	\$194,721	40	\$194,721 40
Cash Collections	\$193,604	27	
Abatements	386	04	
Uncollected	734	60	
	\$194,724	91	
Less refund over payment	3	51	
	\$194,721	40	\$194,721 40
Excise Tax, year 1952	\$12,592	82	
Excise Tax, year 1953	3,792	17	
	\$16,384	99	
Less refunds and Plantation collections	121	01	
	\$16,263	98	

## LIST OF UNPAID REAL ESTATE TAXES, 1952

Allen, Ruth	\$ 14 35
**Crockett, Elmer	24 00
Craney, Pauline	41 00
Crosby, Chester	49 20
**Kenney, William F. Jr.	24 60
Small, Victor and Julia	104 85
Trask, Grace and Harold	63 60

Wagner, William	\$183 40
Wyman, Charles and Myrtle	41 00
Goodspeed, Heirs of George Goodspeed Jr.	188 60
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	\$734 60

\*\* Paid after books were closed

JAMES M. ORDWAY, Tax Collector.

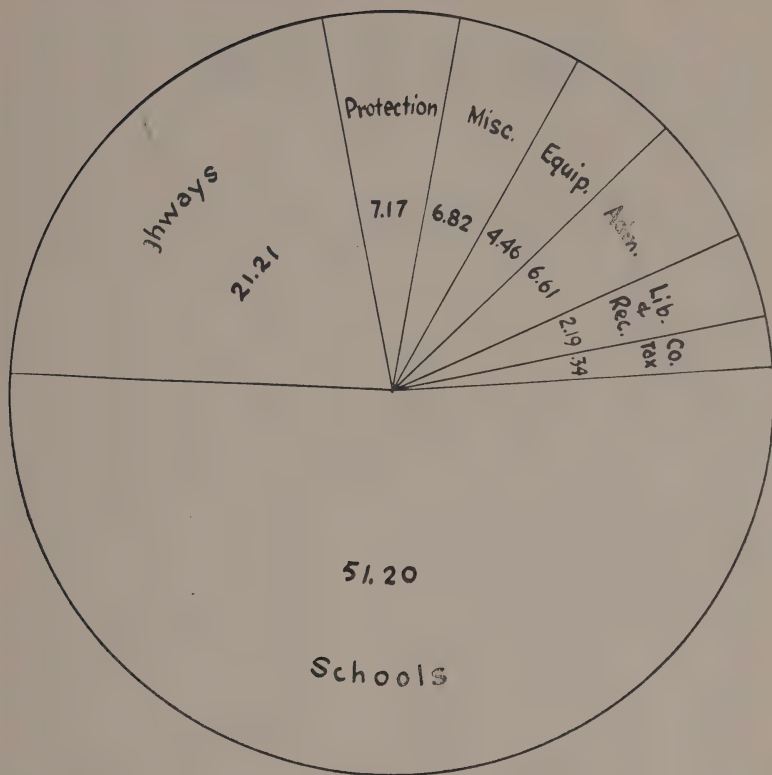
### ABATEMENTS

Ball, George, unknown	\$ 3 00
Baker, Robert, Army	3 00
Barry, Wilburta, over valued	24 60
Bridges, Ralph, error	3 00
Brimigion, Henry, over valued	8 20
Brooks, Charles Jr., Army	3 00
Cochran, Newton, Jr., error	3 00
Comins, Charles, deceased	3 00
Cook, Delbert, pays in Livermore Falls	3 00
Cushman, Kenneth, lives in Connecticut	3 00
Davis, Millard, error	1 64
Drake, Ernest, pays in Livermore Falls	3 00
Enman, Floyd, pays in New Sharon	3 00
Forgett, Leo, error	32 80
Farrington, Homer, pays in Haverhill, Mass.	3 00
Girardin, Joffre, pays in Wayne	2 06
Gillespie, Kenneth Jr., pays in Wayne	3 00
Gordon, Robert, error	1 64
Goldsmith, Lewis, deceased	3 00
Harnden, Harland, Army	3 00
Harris, Reuben, lives in Jay	3 00
Hatfield, H. F., pays in Norridgewock	3 00
Hiscock, Robert, lives in Jay	3 00
Hurd, Roger, error	69 70
Jennings, Wm. P., error	3 00
Jones, William, unknown	3 00

Lake, Erland, unknown	\$ 3 00
Lawton, John, pays in Jay	3 00
Libby, Roscoe, error	3 00
Martin, Wilfred, unknown	3 00
Melcher, Paul, over valued	13 12
Millett, Gordon, hardship	11 20
Mitchell, Raymond, error	32 80
Nash, Omer, deceased	3 00
Orcutt, Lester, taxed in Weld	2 06
Oliver, William, Army	3 00
Palmer, Ernille, error	3 00
Romines, William, deceased	3 00
Richards, Elmer, paid in Farmington	9 16
Savage, William, paid in Farmington	3 00
Staples, Wiley, error	3 00
Stanley, Wallace, unknown	3 00
Thompson, Clyde, error	20 50
Wells, Harry, error	2 05
Withee, Ella, error	2 05
Younge, Guy, hardship	3 00
Young, Ruth, error	2 06
Veteran	57 40
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	\$386 04

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## ADMINISTRATION

Town Manager  
 Selectmen and Assessors  
 Other Town Officers  
 Town Office

## PROTECTION

Hydrants  
 Lights  
 Law Enforcement  
 Fire Department

## MISC.

Deferred Appropriations  
 Revaluation  
 Town Dump  
 Memorial Day  
 Abatements

# Selectmen's Report

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In a democratic state, where sovereignty is vested equally in all the citizens, government is the organization created by those citizens for the purpose of providing for themselves services which can more effectively or more efficiently be provided by collective action by individual self-provision. One of the oldest examples is the enactment of laws, criminal and civil, regulating persons in their daily relationships with one another, together with the furnishing of courts and police officers for the enforcement thereof, without which only the few very strong would feel safe from the irresponsible actions of others. Perhaps the best example from American history is to be found in our public school system, providing a high school education for all, which few could afford if each set of parents individually had to hire a tutor to instruct its children.

From the standpoint of the freedom which it offers to its citizens, the best democratic government is that which governs not at all. Each new regulation which it imposes upon its citizenry restricts that precious freedom; each new service it provides must be paid for through increased taxation, further restricting the freedom to convert one's labor into goods and services in accordance with individual choice. Yet we should sorely fail to derive the full benefits of our democratic sovereignty should we not take real advantage of the effectiveness and efficiency which the collective action of democratic organization makes possible. It behooves us all in our analyses of government and in our political activities to search diligently for that middle course which will carry our government safely through between the shoals of inadequate governmental services on the one hand and the reefs of expensive, restrictive, overactive government on the other, to the realization of a maximum of benefits to us and our children at a minimum of cost, measured both in our loss of freedom to act and our loss of freedom to spend the fruits of our labors.

On the local level the problem presents itself principally as a conflict between the inadequacy of services and the oppressiveness of taxation, since the municipality's power to regulate is limited to the enact-

ment of ordinances controlling relatively minor activities. So intense is this basic conflict that greater efficiency of operation can serve to reduce it only minutely. On the other hand our citizens call for better roads and streets, higher standards for our schools, adequate sanitation facilities, and other new services and improvements of existing ones; on the other hand they shrink from the higher taxes, made more oppressive by the additive effect of more rapidly rising State and Federal levies, which, alone, can make the desired services possible. You, the citizens, assembled at Town Meeting, must make the dreadful decisions. As each call for further collective action arises, you must ask yourselves, "How badly do we need it? How much would it be worth to me? Is it worth the price? Shall I vote to buy it, or pass it by?" For you alone determine the services you shall have and the taxes you shall pay. Your Assessors only distribute the tax you vote in accordance with inflexible law, your Collector only receives it for the Town, and your Selectmen only spend it in accordance with law and your expressed wishes. Only you vote it!

As this report deals with more detailed departmental activities of your local government it will point out inadequacies in governmental services as your Board of Selectmen has found them. Only you hold the key to the other side of the conflict — your degree of willingness to pay for eliminating them.

### HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Probably no other invention of modern man has wrought such a change in the American way of life as has the automobile. Formerly formidable distances are travelled with an ease our fore-fathers never dreamed of. Shopping habits have changed, residential construction has become less congested, labor markets have expanded and road side business establishments have come into being in large numbers as we have come to realize the significance of this more rapid and versatile mode of transportation. So secure a place has it made for itself in the hearts of Americans that the automobile has become, in fact, the most prized of all material possessions, the first a young man wishes to purchase as he commences to earn his own money and almost the last he would reluctantly relinquish were financial adversity to force him to reduce his store of material goods.

The effect upon your local government has been no less than it has been upon the individual. Only a quarter of a century ago debate

raged in our community over the desirability of purchase of the Town's first snow plowing equipment. Farming groups contended that plowing of our roads and streets would make sledding, operations impossible; now they travel almost entirely by car and truck and are among the first to demand, and rightly so, efficient cleaning of snow from those roads so essential to their livelihoods. Last year the citizens voted to raise by taxation \$17,000 for sanding and cleaning of snow, services unknown only a quarter of a century ago.

While the modern American automobile is faster and more comfortable than its predecessor, the horse and buggy, it lacks the latter's ability to traverse rough and muddy stretches of road. With its greater speed it demands more smooth surfaces over which to travel. Local and State Governments have to date failed to supply the demand for such surfaces and, consequently, come face to face with their greatest present day problem. To emphasize the magnitude of the problem, let us suppose that the town of Wilton should decide to reconstruct all its existing roads and streets, bringing things up to desirable standards. There are approximately ninety miles of accepted Town and County way within the borders of the Town. If the cost of such reconstruction were \$10,000.00 per mile, a conservative figure, the total cost of the program would be \$900,000.00. The figures illustrate the magnitude of the basic conflict. If the citizens of the Town are to have appreciably improved road surfaces, they must pay appreciably higher taxes for some years to come; if they do not choose to pay the higher taxes, they will not have better roads. It is as simple as that and yet so difficult because of its direct, hard hitting effect upon the tax payers' pocket books.

Under existing local programs, some progress is being made, although seemingly at a snail's pace. Too much of our limited moneys must be spread too thinly in a frustrating attempt to maintain roads at a minimum standard; such maintenance is necessarily of a stop gap nature and of only temporary effect, having to be repeated over and over again, a wasteful process. Were it to be abandoned, however, in favor of a policy limiting expenditures exclusively to reconstruction with following maintenance of the rebuilt roads, most of our existing Town and County ways would become impassable long before the reconstruction work crews could reach them.

A start has been made toward the reduction of oft-repeated maintenance costs, however, through the improvement of drainage of our roads. "Take care of the water and the road will take care of itself,"

is a saying among roadmen which was forcibly impressed upon most of your present town officials by the disastrous effects of the spring rains of 1951 upon our poorly drained roads. Much of the Summer Highway money that fiscal year went into the repairing of the damage and the improvement of drainage through ditch and culvert repair and improvement. An appreciable part of the Highway Construction money was used this year to continue the work. Although there exists the need for continued expenditures for several years to come, the Town's road drainage is now in much better shape than it was two years ago. The remaining Highway Construction appropriation was largely consumed in the building of new streets voted by the town for which no special appropriations were provided, in the construction of a new bridge off the Weld Road onto Tobin Flat, so called, and in the elimination of various road deficiencies of a minor but troublesome nature. Thus no funds remained with which to commence the much needed basic reconstruction. A hoped for prospect was the start of the rebuilding of Depot Street, second to Main Street the most heavily travelled street in the Town, now much too narrow and rough for its importance as a key part of the road net work. It should definitely be kept in mind for another year.

Two other highway programs, both aimed at eventual saving of maintenance costs and the provision of improved service, should be worthy of comment here. The first deals with the replacement of our older road equipment with newer, more dependable and economical equipment. As owners of automobiles we know all too well that vehicles depreciate every year. Their trade-in values are less every year we own them, although the amount by which the trade-in value declines in any one year is greatest in the first year of ownership of a new vehicle diminishing with each succeeding year. Conversely, the older the vehicle the more expensive it is to maintain as repair costs mount, and the less dependable it is as break-downs become more frequent. As all who operate vehicles in connection with their businesses have learned, there exists an age for a particular type of vehicle, depending also upon its use, at which, due to increasing repair costs, the total annual cost of operating the vehicle begins and continues to exceed the same costs for a new one. To minimize those costs, the vehicle should be traded for a new one at that age. In the table below we have attempted to set up estimates of replacement costs, economical lives, trade-in values at the ends of those lives, and average resulting annual depreciation costs for the basic items of road equipment operated by your government.

	Replacement Cost	Eco- nomical Life	Salvage Value	Annual De- preciation
Motor Grader				
Equipped, Summer & Win- ter use	\$17,375 00	6	\$8,375 00	\$1,500 00
Bulldozer				
Equipped with plow for Winter use	18,000 00	10	6,000 00	1,200 00
4 Wheel drive Truck with V-plow and wings	8,00 00	5	3,000 00	1,000 00
4 Wheel drive Truck with V-plow and wings	8,000 00	5	3,000 00	1,000 00
2 Wheel drive with blade plow and wing	5,000 00	5	1,650 00	670 00
Loader	6,000 00	3	2,000 00	1,333 33
Sidewalk Plow	3,500 00	10	1,000 00	250 00
	<hr/> \$65,875 00			<hr/> \$6,953 33

It then follows, if depreciation costs are to be levelled out over the tax years and special appropriations for purchases are to be eliminated, that, at existing price levels, the town should raise and appropriate approximately Seven Thousand Dollars every year toward the replacement of road equipment. Unfortunately, appropriations of realistic size have not always been made in previous years and today no significant fund exists for equipment replacement. To have a true revolving fund, it works out mathematically that the amount of the fund plus the depreciated value of equipment owned should always equal the replacement cost of the equipment. Using the estimates of the proceeding table, the value of our present equipment is then as follows:

	Age	Replacement Cost	Deprecia- tion	Present Value
Motor Grader				
Equipped, Summer & Win- ter use	1	\$17,375 00	\$1,500 00	\$15,875 00
Bulldozer				
Equipped with plow for Winter use	7	18,000 00	8,400 00	9,600 00

	Age	Replacement Cost	Deprecia- tion	Present Value
4 Wheel drive Truck with V-Plow and wings	2	\$8,000 00	\$2,000 00	\$6,000 00
4 Wheel drive Truck with V-Plow and wings	2-9	8,000 00	4,700 00	3,300 00
2 Wheel drive with blade Plow and wing	2	5,000 00	1,340 00	3,660 00
Loader	2	6,000 00	2,666 67	3,333 33
Sidewalk Plow	5	3,500 00	1,250 00	2,250 00
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		\$65,875 00	\$21,856 67	\$44,018 33
Equipment Fund Balance				62 49
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				\$44,080 82
Replacement Cost				65,875 00
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Net Deficit				\$21,794 18

We are faced, then with a deficit in the fund of \$21,794.18, which should be made up through appropriations over the next few years. It should be noted that a gain of approximately \$11,800.00 has been made in the last two years, since the deficit similarly computed on February 1, 1951 was approximately \$33,600.00.

The other program, on which a start has been made, is for the construction of suitable garage facilities for town owned vehicles. Utilizing the proceeds from the sale of the old Legion Home Lot, a garage lot has been purchased, fronting on Weld Street, and two sections of the garage have been constructed. One of these is a utility section which will eventually house the heating plant and parts storage; the other is the first of nine needed vehicular stalls. It is hoped that eventually all the town vehicles, including the school system's busses may be stored in this new garage, protected from the elements and housed for easy and inexpensive maintenance. Additional funds from some source should be provided for further construction this coming year.

Perusal of the individual highway accounts appearing on following pages of this report brings to light one new to the town, under the heading of Storage and Repairs. This account was set up by your Board early in the fiscal year for the purpose of allocating fairly among

the various road accounts certain overhead costs of the Highway Department. A schedule of rental rates was established for items of road equipment and each account paid into this overhead account in accordance with its use of the equipment. The funds so provided were used for the costs of operating the garage, repairing the equipment and purchasing gasoline and oil, tires and other supplies. Due in part to heavy repair costs during and following last year's "Old fashioned winter," particularly with regard to the seven year old D-7 Tractor, this account is overdrawn to the extent of \$713.29. It is the expectation of your Board of Selectmen that this deficit can be absorbed in the ensuing year without increase in highway maintenance appropriations.

### ADMINISTRATION

The Town Manager form of Government has now completed its second year in the Town of Wilton; it would seem appropriate at this time to review some of the high lights of its effect upon our community in an attempt to determine, perhaps, whether or not the change was worthwhile.

One of the main arguments employed to sell the voters of Wilton on the idea of effecting the change was that through full-time, business like administration, the Manager Form would save the taxpayers money or would provide them better service for the same money. We believe there is now sufficient evidence to justify this claim. For example, in a period of mounting costs generally, with the Town's tax rate (not including eight mills in fiscal year 1951-52 due to State Tax) rising from 76 to 82 to an estimated 91 to 99 for the ensuing year, costs of maintaining our roads and streets (as represented by Summer Highway, Winter Highway, and Tarvia appropriations) have not increased at all. In fact, the total sum of money requested for the coming year is \$1,000.00 less than was requested two years ago. Such could not possibly be the case if savings in the Highway Department, the largest in terms of moneys appropriated outside of the School Department had not been effected. Yet, in this same period, the Highway Department encountered the costly damage of the highest flood waters since 1936 and the first "old-fashioned winter" in a number of years.

Concrete examples of savings are not hard to find. Let us mention only two. At the time the town gasoline pump was installed, gasoline used in town trucks was purchased at the retail price, now 28.6 cents per gallon. 12,170 gallons were purchased in the year just past, for use by

highway, fire and school vehicles, at a price of 22.5 cents per gallon, a saving of \$742.37. Motor oil purchased at eighty-three cents per gallon produced a total saving in the past fiscal year of over \$500.00.

Under the Manager Form, a number of worthwhile, progressive steps have been taken. The first real action toward construction of the badly needed and long talked about town garage was taken, using funds obtained from sale of the lot on which stood the long condemned old Legion home. The town of Wilton now owns the most modern store front in the local business district, an example for other business real estate owners to follow. Larger, rented Town Offices will soon be occupied which will permit greater efficiency of administration and privacy for the transaction of citizen's business with the Town.

Revaluation, so called, has been commenced and by 1954 should provide Wilton with the first systematic assessment in its 150 year history. The road equipment inventory has been increased by nearly \$12,000 value from a point of almost expected break-down to one of fairly reasonable efficiency.

Prosperous conditions continuing, the voters of Wilton should face realistically the fact that it will take a number of years still of progressive action to bring their local government up to desirable standards. With the Town Garage completed and the road equipment account balance improved, the Town must face the problem of basic road reconstruction. In connection therewith, an article appears in the warrant for this year to see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to appoint a Planning Committee to present to the Board and to the Town, plans relating to long term programs for community betterment through local governmental action. A survey of our road conditions, including classification and determination of minimum desirable standards for all classes of roads, and a long range plan for improvement thereof might well be the first objective of this committee. Eventually this town must face realistically the inadequacies in its sewerage disposal methods. An article authorizing an engineering survey for a sewerage disposal system has, likewise, been inserted in this year's warrant.

In order to most economically utilize every means at its disposal for sound, progressive action, a town should periodically review its need for existing Town facilities with the establishment of other meeting places. The need for our present Town hall has significantly diminished. Except for dancing classes and meetings of a religious group, the Town

Hall was rented this past year on only five occasions, the least use of the facilities, probably, in the history of the Town. We might well consider the desirability of selling this Town property, utilizing the proceeds for the expedition of one of the above mentioned more badly needed improvements.

To portray the past, to point toward the future, have been the aims of this report by your Board of Selectmen. You, the citizens of the Town of Wilton have much in your community of which to be proud; it is our hope that your government may have the continuing privilege of occupying a leading role in this interesting and encouraging period in the 150 year history of the Town of Wilton, which might best be described by the simple slogan — “Wilton Moves Ahead”.

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# Administration Accounts

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## TOWN CHARGES

	Received	Expended
Appropriation	\$13,000 00	
Receipts: Voided checks	48 30	
James Armstrong	13 84	
Post Office	5 16	
Edward Jenkins	26	
John Greenlaw	70	
James Ordway	128 75	
Aaron Parker	21 50	
John Beale	50	
Warrants paid: Salaries: Manager: 1951		\$ 307 68
1952		4,153 44
Assessors, Select-		
men, Overseers of		
the Poor		1,000 00
Truant Officer		75 00
Town Clerk		93 50
Manager's expenses		999 96
Legal expense		200 00
Officer's expenses		212 95
Clerical expense		1,993 50
Heat, lights, phone, water		469 94
Insurance		2,049 29
Printing		727 75
Audit of 1951 records		447 80
Election expense		606 51
Miscellaneous		530 35
Office expense		362 21
Overdraft closed to Contingent fund	1,010 87	
Totals	\$14,229 88	\$14,229 88

## Contingent Fund

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	Received	Expended
Balance from 1951 account	\$27,432 42	
Receipts: Sale of Lake View Cemetery lots	247 50	
Licenses	10 00	
State Treasurer	1,287 64	
Robert Wood	42 92	
Isadore Miller	62 70	
Eben Farrington	20 00	
Henry Blasl	200 00	
Voided checks	8 99	
Dan Webb	20 00	
Warrants paid: Cemetery trust funds		\$ 247 50
Transfers: To Revaluation		5,000 00
To Town Garage		3,500 00
Balances from following accounts		
Other income	13 00	
Hinkleyville road	38 54	
Leigh Corey road	44 89	
McAuley road	3 05	
Orr road	4 90	
Overdrafts from following accounts		
Interest and fees		111 54
Social Security deductions		707 73
Abatements		136 04
Town charges		1,010 87
New Street Lights		127 82
Health Officer		250 00
Unappropriated Excise Tax	1,063 98	
Overlay	942 23	
Supplementary tax	520 84	
Balance carried to 1953 account		20,864 18
Transferred from tax deeds		7 92
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$31,963 60</b>	<b>\$31,963 60</b>

	Received	Expended
CASH ACCOUNTS		
Balance on deposit Feb. 1, 1952	\$ 45,454 63	
Receipts	315,282 04	
Warrants drawn		\$318,484 35
Balance on deposit Jan. 31, 1953		42,252 32
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Totals	\$360,736 67	\$360,736 67

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## Highway Departments

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### STATE ROAD ACCOUNTS

#### STATE HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE

Appropriation	\$416 80	
Transferred to Winter Highway		\$416 80
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Totals	\$416 80	\$416 80

#### STATE AID CONSTRUCTION

Appropriation	\$1,128 00	
Receipts: State Treas.	1,262 39	
Warrants paid: Payroll		\$ 216 17
Culverts		219 02
Trucks		1,453 60
Shovel		343 00
Material		158 60
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Totals	\$2,390 39	\$2,390 39

#### TOWN ROAD IMPROVEMENT

Balance unexpended from 1951 account	\$ 113 59
Receipts: State Treasurer	1,941 34
Transfer	75

	Received	Expended
Warrants paid: Payroll		\$ 512 73
Trucks		1,429 36
Balance unexpended carried to 1953 acct.		113 59
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Totals	\$2,055 68	\$2,055 68

## WELD ROAD RESOLVES

Receipts: State Treasurer	\$5,594 72	
Transfers from Special Resolve materials	1,402 00	
Warrants paid: Payroll		\$1,531 59
Trucks		3,618 91
Shovel		833 00
Culverts		400 02
Materials		613 20
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Totals	\$6,996 72	\$6,996 72

## SPECIAL RESOLVE MATERIALS

Balance unexpended from 1951 account	\$1,418 64	
Transferred to Weld Road Resolves		\$1,402 00
Balance unexpended carried to 1953 acct.		16 64
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Totals	\$1,418 64	\$1,418 64

## TOWN ROAD MAINTENANCE ACCOUNTS

## SUMMER HIGHWAY

Appropriation	\$6,100 00	
Receipts: A. S. Smith Jr.	24 64	
Kineowatha Camps	48 74	
Lester North	2 50	
State Treasurer	41 18	
Warrants paid: Payroll		2,534 90
Trucks		501 46
Material		825 55
Express		23 65
Culverts		235 58

	Received	Expended
Warrants paid: Labor		\$ 125 55
Transfers: Use of road equipment		1,963 94
Unexpended balance carried to 1953 acct.		6 43
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Totals	\$6,217 06	\$6,217 06

## TARVIA

Appropriation	\$5,000 00
Receipts: Philip Sargent	15 00
Robert Edwards	25 00
Joseph Kingsbury	25 00
D. H. Shea	10 00
Linwood Rolfe	20 00
Coull's Service Station	30 00
Charles Scott	35 00
Carl Swett	20 00
Marion Welch	10 00
Wilton Woolen Co.	100 00
Lawson Reeves	20 00
Burgess Shoe Store	25 00
Clyde Getchell	10 00
Arnold Tobin	15 00
Ina Gowen	10 00
Central Garage	25 00
Frank Burbank	20 00
W. P. Stickney	25 00
Ed. McDonald	30 00
Charles Scott	16 00
Harland Pearson	74 00
Oscar Chandler	30 00
Leo Sawtelle	20 00
Wilton Academy	30 00
Cyrus Fernald	15 00
Clarence Proctor	25 00
Chester Mitchell	30 00
Guy Russell	40 00
W. S. Bass	15 00
Chase's Market	10 00

	Received	Expended
Receipts: Stanleigh Cole	\$20 00	
Linwood Rolfe	20 00	
Wilton Water Co.	32 50	
W. M. Smith	25 00	
Harry Gould	20 00	
Warrants paid: payroll		\$ 899 80
Trucks		311 77
Material		4,246 60
Transfers: Use of road equipment		355 34
Unexpended balance carried to 1953 acct.		78 99
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Totals	\$5,892 50	\$5,892 50

## WINTER HIGHWAY

Appropriation	\$17, 000 00	
Receipts: Voided checks	9 51	
Earl Wright	1 35	
A. T. Fiel	12 50	
Effie Tuer	8 00	
Edward Hiltz	1 35	
State Treasurer	1,210 70	
Clifford Ellis	6 00	
American Legion	61 95	
Clyde Collins	1 50	
Transfers: To correct charges	20 90	
Storage and Repairs	15 24	
State Highway Maintenance	416 80	
Warrants Paid: payroll		\$ 9,023 45
Trucks		579 78
Material		1,194 86
Freight		446 86
Snow removal		3,129 55
State Park		77 50
Transfers: Use of road equipment		3,800 29
Unexpended balance carried to 1953 account		513 51
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Totals	\$18,765 80	\$18,765 80

## TOWN ROAD CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNTS

	Received	Expended
BIRCH STREET BRANCH ROAD		
Balance unexpended from 1951 account	\$1,200 00	
Balance unexpended carried to 1953 acct.		\$1,200 00
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Totals	\$1,200 00	\$1,200 00

## HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Appropriation	\$7,000 00	
Receipts: Supt. of Schools	572 70	
Anne & Eliza. Bass	72 80	
Theodore Hodgkins	16 00	
Lewis Paine	12 50	
A. T. Fiel	91 20	
Omer Beisaw	33 04	
Carroll Brown	32 04	
Guy Russell	49 95	
G. H. Bass & Co.	24 50	
Bancroft & Martin	16 56	
Mrs. Charles Hall	24 77	
Warrants paid: Payroll		\$1,984 42
Culverts		714 56
Materials		1,887 40
Trucks		371 10
Gilbert road		811 53
East Wilton		71 90
East Dixfield		37 50
Sidewalks		225 25
Transfers: Use of road equipment		1,830 91
Balance unexpended carried to 1953 acct.		11 49
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Totals	\$7,946 06	\$7,946 06

## HINKLEYVILLE ROAD

Appropriation	\$1,000 00	
Warrants paid: payroll		\$ 294 84
trucks		82 13

	Received	Expended
Warrants paid: Material		\$ 61 60
Transfers: Use of road equipment		522 89
Balance unexpended transferred to Contingent		38 54
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Totals	\$1,000 00	\$1,000 00
LEIGH COREY ROAD		
Appropriation	\$1,000 00	.
Warrants paid: payroll		\$ 402 40
Transfers: Use of road equipment		552 71
Balance unexpended closed to Contingent		44 89
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Totals	\$1,000 00	\$1,000 00
MCAULEY ROAD		
Appropriation	\$1,000 00	
Warrants paid: materials		\$ 61 60
payroll		652 35
Transfers: Use of road equipment		283 00
Unexpended balance closed to Contingent		3 05
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Totals	\$1,000 00	\$1,000 00
ORR ROAD		
Appropriation	\$ 500 00	
Warrants paid: payroll		\$ 128 35
surveying		1 50
trucks		151 75
Transfers: use of road equipment		213 50
Unexpended balance transferred to Contingent		4 90
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Totals	\$ 500 00	\$ 500 00
RETAINING WALL		
Unexpended balance from 1951 account	\$ 475 50	
Warrants paid: Payroll		\$ 125 65
Materials		298 10
Transfers: Use of road equipment		51 75
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Totals	\$ 475 50	\$ 475 50

	Received	Expended
SIDEWALKS		
Unexpended balance from 1951 account	\$ 266 04	
Receipts: Wilton Trust Co.	560 41	
Warrants paid: payroll		\$ 103 90
materials		638 17
Transfers: Use of road equipment		132 68
Overexpended, carried to 1953 account	48 30	
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Totals	\$ 874 75	\$ 874 75

## ROAD EQUIPMENT ACCOUNTS

ROAD EQUIPMENT		
Unexpended balance from 1951 account	\$ 721 07	
Appropriation	3,000 00	
Receipts: A. T. Fiel	7 50	
Wilton	2,051 88	
Superintendent of Schools	119 86	
A. E. Trask	2 50	
Robert Wood	3 00	
State Treasurer	163 31	
Transfers: Use of road equipment	1,946 70	
Warrants paid: Gulf Oil		\$ 747 37
Diesel oil		80 59
Fuel tax		42 30
Parts		50 67
Loader		4,820 00
Army Truck		914 90
Repair loader		1,160 00
Dump body		137 50
Grader		9,000 00
Overexpended carried to 1953 account	8,937 51	
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Totals	\$16,953 33	\$16,953 33

## STORAGE AND REPAIR ACCOUNT

Receipts: Harry Stansfield	\$ 55 19
Loyal Brown	9 24
Linwood Rolfe	15 00

	Received	Expended
Receipts: Wilton	\$3,678 80	
Harry Stansfield	17 74	
A. T. Fiel	76 49	
Superintendent of Schools	92 71	
James Armstrong	22 00	
Omer Beisaw	22 23	
Arthur Sprague	8 77	
Clifford Lothrop	12 00	
Temple	18 00	
Donald McKeen	4 00	
M. C. R. R.	10 00	
George Granberg	303 32	
Silas Stevens	60	
Wilton Water Co.	58 45	
State Treasurer	218 29	
Clement Le Clair	6 00	
Phillip Quirrion	15 09	
Clayton House	17 60	
Mrs. Chas. Hall	49 53	
Clayton House	30 80	
American Legion	67 84	
Isadore Miller	61 51	
Phillip Maxwell	15 09	
Arthur Frecker	147 06	
Josephine Brann	30 80	
Ervin Williams	4 50	
Chester Foster	1 20	
Linwood Burtchell	33 56	
Hazen Mayo	60 00	
Mary Donovan	9 23	
Voided checks	1 86	
Transfers: Use of road equipment	8,359 93	
Warrants paid: Parts		\$6,728 10
Labor		2,215 00
Garage		905 30
Welding		62 20
Gulf oil		2,737 38
Diesel oil		319 61

	Received	Expended
Warrants paid: Fuel tax		\$154 68
Rent of stalls		17 50
Culverts		335 96
Material		407 42
Transfers:		364 57
Overexpended balance carried to 1953 acct.	\$713 29	
Totals	\$14,247 72	\$14,247 72

## TOWN GARAGE

Transferred from Contingent fund	\$3,500 00	
Transfers from Poor accts. Wood	72 00	
Receipts: State Treasurer	18 00	
Clifford Ellis	45 00	
Warrants paid: Hazel Robbins land		\$ 500 00
K & H Foster		3,045 00
Payroll		108 15
Miscellaneous		394 71
Transfers: Use of road equipment		90 00
Overexpended carried to 1953 account	502 86	
Totals	\$4,137 86	\$4,137 86

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## School Accounts

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## PREPAID SCHOOL PAYROLL

Balance from 1951 account		\$3,575 32
Transferred to school account	\$3,575 32	
Totals	\$3,575 32	\$3,575 32

## COMMON SCHOOLS

Balance unexpended from 1951 account	\$ 4,249 46
Appropriation	38,700 00

	Received	Expended
Receipts: State of Maine	\$35,184 81	
Chesterville	100 00	
Congregational Church	40 00	
School department	96 51	
Cram's Jewelry Store	10 00	
Wilton Academy & Churches	94 30	
East Wilton School	21 10	
Recreation committee	75 82	
Farmington	25 50	
Wilton Sub-primary	3 30	
Superintendent	136 62	
School fund interest	128 92	
Dixfield	2,639 90	
Transfer (Part of prepaid payroll)	833 05	
Warrants paid		\$76,945 87
Transfers (1951 payroll prepaid)		3,575 32
Balance unexpended carried to 1953 acct.		1,818 10
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Totals	\$82,339 29	\$82,339 29

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Appropriation	\$ 150 00	
Warrants paid		\$ 150 00
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Totals	\$ 150 00	\$ 150 00

## SCHOOL REPAIRS

Balance from 1951 account unexpended	\$ 511 56	
Appropriation	6,500 00	
Receipts: East Dixfield Mother's club	62 60	
Dixfield	785 74	
Warrants paid		\$7,302 81
Transfers (Prepaid payroll)		557 09
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Totals	\$7,859 90	\$7,859 90

## SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Balance unexpended from 1951 account	\$ 105 90
Appropriation	2,000 00

	Received	Expended
Warrants paid		\$1,839 39
Transfers (Prepaid payroll)		275 96
Overexpended, carried to 1953 account	\$ 9 45	
Totals	\$2,115 35	\$2,115 35

#### WILTON ACADEMY TUITION

Balance from 1951 account unexpended	\$20,000 00	
Appropriation	45,000 00	
Warrants paid		\$44,000 00
Unexpended balance carried to 1953 acct.		21,000 00
Totals	\$65,000 00	\$65,000 00

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## Protection

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#### CIVILIAN DEFENSE

Balance unexpended from 1951 account	\$188 70	
Balance unexpended carried to 1953 acct.		\$188 70
Totals	\$188 70	\$188 70

#### FIRE CHIEF

Appropriation	\$350 00	
Warrants paid		\$350 00
Totals	\$350 00	\$350 00

#### FIRE DEPARTMENT

Balance unexpended from 1951 account	\$ 144 01	
Appropriation	5,000 00	
Receipts: Forster Mfg. Co.	118 50	
Chesterville Fire Dept.	4 15	
Chesterville	120 00	

	Received	Expended
Receipts: Livermore Falls	\$225 00	
Livermore	69 25	
Voided checks	190 93	
Warrants paid		\$5,587 65
Transfers: Use of highway equipment		31 30
Balance unexpended carried to 1953 acct.		252 89
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Totals	\$5,871 84	\$5,871 84

## HYDRANTS

Appropriation	\$2,340 00	
Warrants paid		\$2,340 00
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Totals	\$2,340 00	\$2,340 00

## LAW ENFORCEMENT

Appropriation	\$2,500 00	
Receipts: Franklin County Treas.	40 90	
Maine Central R. R.	26 00	
Town of Wilton	10 50	
Warrants paid		\$2,404 07
Balance unexpended carried to 1953 acct.		173 33
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Totals	\$2,577 40	\$2,577 40

## NEW STREET LIGHTS

Balance from 1951 account unexpended	\$376 78	
Warrants paid		\$504 60
Overexpended, closed to Contingent	127 82	
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Totals	\$504 60	\$504 60

## STREET LIGHTS

Balance unexpended from 1951 account	\$ 72 32
Appropriation	3,747 00

	Received	Expended
Warrants paid: Wilton lights		\$3,499 71
Blinker		10 00
East Dixfield		199 76
Balance unexpended carried to 1953 acct.		109 85
Totals	\$3,819 32	\$3,819 32

## Health and Sanitation

HEALTH OFFICER		
Warrants paid		\$250 00
Overexpended closed to Contingent fund	\$250 00	
Totals	\$250 00	\$250 00

MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS		
Balance from 1951 account	\$127 72	
Warrants paid		\$115 16
Unexpended carried to 1953 account		12 56
Totals	\$127 72	\$127 72

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE		
Appropriation	\$1,800 00	
Warrants paid		\$1,800 00
Totals	\$1,800 00	\$1,800 00

TOWN DUMP		
Balance from 1951 account	\$339 60	
Appropriation	160 00	
Received from Donald McKeen	18 75	
Received from Wilton	50 20	
Transfers	165 40	

	Received	Expended
Warrants paid		\$324 90
Transfers		59 00
Balance unexpended carried to 1953 account		350 05
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Totals	\$733 95	\$733 95

## Cemeteries

### CEMETERY CARE SAVINGS ACCOUNT

Balance on deposit Feb. 1, 1952		\$ 714 13
Transfers Additions to bank acct.		619 22
Balance on deposit Jan. 31, 1953	\$1,333 35	
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Totals	\$1,333 35	\$1,333 35

### EAST WILTON CEMETERY

Overdraft brought forward from 1951		\$ 9 03
Appropriation	\$300 00	
Receipts: U. S. Treas. Bond interest	64 38	
Eugene Tufts	5 00	
E. Wilton Cemetery Assoc.	9 03	
Warrants paid		369 38
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Totals	\$378 41	\$378 41

### INTERVALE CEMETERY

Balance unexpended from 1951 account	\$ 9 09	
Appropriation	150 00	
Receipts: U. S. Treas. Bond interest	3 12	
Warrants paid		\$117 89
Transfer: Use of road equipment		42 76
Unexpended balance carried to 1953 acct.		1 56
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Totals	\$162 21	\$162 21

	Received	Expended
<b>LAKEVIEW AND OTHER CEMETERIES</b>		
Balance unexpended from 1951 account	\$ 767 18	
Appropriation	1,500 00	
Receipts: U. S. Treas. Bond interest	587 50	
Transfers: Income from care of lots	603 75	
Interest on savings acct.	15 47	
Warrants paid		\$1,863 20
Transfers Use of road equipment		226 28
Unexpended balance carried to 1953 acct.		1,384 42
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Totals	\$3,473 90	\$3,473 90
 <b>MEMORIAL DAY</b>		
Appropriation	\$150 00	
Warrants paid		\$150 00
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Totals	\$150 00	\$150 00

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## Charities

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<b>AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN</b>		
Appropriation	\$550 00	
Paid Dept. of Health and Welfare		\$195 93
Balance unexpended carried to 1953 acct.		354 07
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Totals	\$550 00	\$550 00
 <b>TOWN POOR</b>		
Balance from 1951 account	\$ 337 48	
Appropriation	3,900 00	
Received from employment of poor	1,536 83	
Received from settlement of Case #19, of 1951 account	522 68	

	Received	Expended
Paid for care of poor		\$5,657 44
Charge for wood supplied from garage lot		54 00
Balance unexpended carried to 1953 account		585 55
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Totals	\$6,296 99	\$6,296 99

## STATE POOR

Balance due on 1951 account		\$ 433 31
Paid by town for care of state poor		1,549 66
Charge for wood supplied from garage lot		18 00
Received from State Treasurer	\$1,792 55	
Refunds	38 91	
Balance due from State, carried to 1953 account	169 51	
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Totals	\$2,000 97	\$2,000 97

## NON-RESIDENT POOR

Balances due on 1951 accounts from		
Weld		\$ 30 00
Denmark		96 00
Monroe		71 69
Lewiston		25 00
Paid by town for care of non-resident poor		1,296 08
Received from Lewiston	\$ 212 45	
"    "    Weld	174 00	
"    "    Monroe	129 18	
"    "    Denmark	168 00	
"    "    guardian of Dixfield case	339 25	
"    "    kin of Dixfield case	55 00	
"    "    South Paris	4 01	
"    "    New Sharon	44 45	
"    "    Winthrop	20 10	
Balance due carried to 1953 account		
Dixfield	352 10	
Oakland	20 23	
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Totals	\$1,518 77	\$1,518 77

## Trust Fund Accounts

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### INVESTMENTS

Trust account #31 Wilton Trust Co.	\$12,521 29
U. S. Bonds	26,700 00
Savings acct. Wilton Trust Co.	375 45
Acknowledgement of Notes by the Town in 1940	
School fund note	1,576 03
Ministerial School fund note	572 67
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Total investments	\$41,745 44

### TRUSTS

Rawson Fuller Sidewalk Fund	\$12,521 29	
School Fund	1,576 03	
Ministerial School Fund	572 67	
Trusts for care of Cemetery Lots		
Balance Feb. 1, 1952	\$26,474 46	
Less Error in 1952 count	100 00	
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True balance Feb. 1, 1952	\$26,374 46	
New Trusts		
Harold Young	50 00	
Phylis Beisaw	100 00	
Zelda Kenison	100 00	
Marguerite Clarke	200 00	
Sale of Cemetery Lots	247 50	
Interest not withdrawn	3 49	
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Total Cemetery Trusts Jan. 31, 1953	\$27,075 45	\$27,075 45
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Total Trust Funds		\$41,745 44

## Tax Accounts

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	Received	Expended
REAL ESTATE, PERSONAL PROPERTY & POLL		
Uncollected from prior years		\$ 1,216 20
Assessment of 1952 taxes		194,721 40
Receipts: Collected by tax collector	\$193,604 27	
1951 uncollected transferred to liens	1,186 20	
Transferred from Abatements	386 04	
Uncollected 1950 tax	30 00	
Uncollected 1952 taxes	734 60	
Refunded by warrants		3 51
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$195,941 11</b>	<b>\$195,941 11</b>

### TAX DEEDS

Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1952		\$570 79
Receipts: Vera & Logan Luce	\$ 27 92	
Alton Corson	64 59	
Mrs. Edw. Tague	72 92	
Transfer: Written off to Contingent	7 92	
Balance on hand Jan. 31, 1953		
Millard Pratt	382 02	
Millard & Iva Pratt	15 42	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$570 79</b>	<b>\$570 79</b>

### TAX LIENS

Transferred from Tax Account		\$1,186 20
Receipts: Marie Kallock	\$ 8 40	
Jennie Greenleaf	12 60	
Pauline Craney	42 00	
William Wagner	187 80	
Olive Libby	92 40	
Heirs of A. L. Dennison	96 60	
Vera & Logan Luce	25 20	
Mary I. L. Adams	8 40	
Robert Wood (Vella Mahon acct.)	25 20	
Alton Corson	50 40	

	Received	Expended
Liens on hand Jan. 31, 1953		
Heirs of F. Adams	\$ 4 20	
Millard Pratt	420 00	
Millard & Iva Pratt	12 60	
Dorothy Goodspeed	193 20	
Gordon Millett	7 20	
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Totals	\$1,186 20	\$1,186 20
INTEREST AND TAX LIEN FEES		
Receipts: Interest and fees collected	\$ 38 46	
Warrants paid: Wilton Trust Co.		\$150 00
Overdraft, transferred to Contingent	111 54	
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Totals	\$150 00	\$150 00
TOWN OWNED PROPERTY		
Property on hand at cost Feb. 1, 1952		\$59 84
Receipts: Sold to Robert Wood	\$31 88	
On hand Jan. 31, 1953	27 96	
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Totals	\$59 84	\$59 84
EXCISE TAXES		
Receipts: Collections by excise collector	\$16,384 99	
Warrants paid: Refunds		\$ 60 74
Plantation collections		60 27
Appropriated to Town Charges		13,000 00
Appropriated to Public Buildings		2,200 00
Transferred to Contingent		1,063 98
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Totals	\$16,384 99	\$16,384 99
ABATEMENTS		
Appropriation	\$250 00	
Abatements allowed: Transferred to taxes account		\$386 04
Overdrawn taken from Contingent	136 04	
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Totals	\$386 04	\$386 04

	Received	Expended
REVALUATION		
Appropriation	\$2,500 00	
Transferred from Contingent	5,000 00	
Warrants paid		\$3,600 00
Unexpended balance carried to 1953 acct.		3,900 00
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Totals	\$7,500 00	\$7,500 00
COUNTY TAX		
Appropriation	\$6,656 53	
Warrants paid		\$6,656 53
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Totals	\$6,656 53	\$6,656 53

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## Town Debt Accounts

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BONDS PAYABLE		
Balance due Feb. 1, 1952	\$73,000 00	
Warrants paid		\$ 7,000 00
Balance due Jan. 31, 1953		66,000 00
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Totals	\$73,000 00	\$73,000 00

TEMPORARY LOANS		
Receipts: Wilton Trust Co.	\$30,000 00	
Warrants paid: Wilton Trust Co.		\$30,000 00
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Totals	\$30,000 00	\$30,000 00

INTEREST ON SCHOOL BONDS		
Appropriation	\$1,460 00	
Warrants paid: Wilton Trust Co.		\$1,460 00
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Totals	\$1,460 00	\$1,460 00

	Received	Expended
<b>DEFERRED APPROPRIATIONS</b>		
Balance from 1951 account		\$10,200 00
Appropriations	\$10,200 00	
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Totals	\$10,200 00	\$10,200 00
<b>TOWN DEBT</b>		
Balance unpaid Feb. 1, 1952		\$73,000 00
Appropriation	\$ 7,000 00	
Balance unpaid Jan. 31, 1953	66,000 00	
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Totals	\$73,000 00	\$73,000 00

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## Unclassified Accounts

<b>LIBRARY</b>		
Appropriation	\$2,250 00	
Receipts: State Treasurer	90 00	
Warrants paid		\$2,340 00
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Totals	\$2,340 00	\$2,340 00
<b>REPAIRS TO LIBRARY BUILDING</b>		
Balance unexpended from 1951 acct.	\$ 816 86	
Appropriation	3,000 00	
Warrants paid: K & H Foster		\$3,127 50
Glen Coulling		464. 99
Unexpended carried to 1953 account		224 37
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Totals	\$3,816 86	\$3,816 86
<b>PUBLIC BUILDINGS</b>		
Appropriation	\$2,200 00	
Receipts: Rudy Landry	1,200 00	
Fowler's Market	945 00	
Blaine Trask, Town Hall Agent	143 00	

	Received	Expended
Warrants paid: Insurance		\$ 56 50
Water		48 54
Oil		857 98
Lights		156 84
Labor		3,422 12
Scouts		24 84
Material		28 35
Overdraft carried to 1953 account	\$107 17	
Totals	\$4,595 17	\$4,595 17

## RECREATION PROGRAM

Unexpended balance from 1951 account	\$ 207 36	
Appropriation	2,000 00	
Warrants paid: Conveyance		\$ 75 82
Payroll		921 54
Materials		561 83
Insurance		15 00
Unexpended balance carried to 1953 acct.		633 17
Totals	\$2,207 36	\$2,207 36

## OTHER INCOME

Receipts: Eva Masterman	\$ 1 00	
Melvin Fairbrother	3 00	
Donald Stevens	3 00	
Ardine Bachelder	3 00	
Percy Walton	3 00	
Balance closed to Contingent		\$16 00
Totals	\$16 00	\$16 00

## SOCIAL SECURITY DEDUCTIONS AND EXPENSE

Balance Feb. 1, 1952	\$ 64 01	
Receipts: Withholdings from payrolls	660 07	
Warrants paid:		\$1,363 77
Transfer to Teacher's Retirement		4 20

	Received	Expended
Overexpended transferred to Contingent	\$707 73	
January withholdings		\$63 84
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Totals	\$1,431 81	\$1,431 81
TEACHER'S RETIREMENT		
Balance Feb. 1, 1952	\$ 361 95	
Receipts: Withheld from salaries	2,339 55	
Transfer from Social Security	4 20	
Warrants paid		\$2,438 40
Balance Jan. 31, 1953		267 30
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Totals	\$2,705 70	\$2,705 70

# Summary of Accounts

## INCOME AND EXPENSE

	Balance 2/1/52	Appropri- ation	Other Income	Total Available	Total Expense	Unexpended Balance	Over- Draft
		\$ 20,750 00	\$ 257 47	\$ 21,007 47	\$ 19,259 81	\$ 1,747 66	
Administration	\$ 1,532 23	1,544 80	10,201 20	13,278 23	13,148 00	130 23	
Highways	2,662 61	54,100 00	22,246 01	79,008 62	78,308 78	699 84	
State							
Town							
Total	4,194 84	55,644 80	32,447 21	92,286 85	91,456 78	830 07	
Schools	24,866 92	100,810 00	40,238 17	165,915 09	143,106 44	22,808 65	
Protection	781 81	13,937 00	805 23	15,524 04	14,927 09	596 95	
Health and Sanitation	467 32	1,960 00	234 35	2,661 67	2,299 06	362 61	
Charities	337 48	4,450 00	2,059 51	6,846 99	5,907 37	939 62	
Cemeteries	776 27	1,950 00	1,288 25	4,014 52	2,628 54	1,385 98	
Recreation	207 36	2,000 00		2,207 36	1,574 19	633 17	
Other Departments	816 86	7,600 00	2,378 00	10,794 86	10,677 66	117 20	
Totals	\$ 32,448 86	\$ 209,101 80	\$ 79,708 19	\$ 321,258 85	\$ 291,836 94	\$ 29,421 91	

# Auditor's Report

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Feb. 9, 1953

Town Manager,  
Selectmen of Wilton,  
Wilton, Maine.

Dear Sirs:

After a lapse of one year I am submitting herewith my seventeenth annual report as auditor of the town of Wilton, Maine.

The general accuracy of the bookkeeping of the town manager and his clerk make very few comments necessary. In counting the U. S. bonds held on the Cemetery trust account, the count of 1951 was verified, which was \$100 lower than that found by last year's auditor. It is noted that many transfers and adjustments between accounts are now handled by journal entry, not by drawing checks as was done in years past. This practice is satisfactory, provided it is remembered that the journal entry is just as important as a check or a receipt, and should be as carefully and as fully drawn.

The care exercised in raising and appropriating taxes at the 1952 annual meeting has resulted in very few overdrafts. I do think the appropriation to the interest account should include that for the School fund notes, and any anticipated interest on temporary loans, as well as interest on the school bonds. Also an appropriation should be made to cover the town portion of the Social Security taxes. During the year two special appropriations totaling \$8,500. were made from the Contingent fund. This more than accounts for the reduction in the fund for the year. A large Contingent fund is a good guarantee against having to make temporary loans during the period before taxes begin to come in. There is always a question of how large the fund should be, but I expect \$30,000 will prove a much more advantageous figure than the \$20,000 we now have. I would suggest that the March 1953 meeting raise the \$8,500 appropriated from Contingent at special town meeting held during the year.

## CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that I have examined the books of the Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor, Treasurer, and Town Manager of the

Town of Wilton, for the fiscal year February 1, 1952 to January 31, 1953, and find them, in my opinion, an accurate record of the amounts received by the Treasurer, and disbursed in accord with warrants duly signed by the Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor, and School Board. The amounts paid to Treasurer by the Tax Collector are in accord with the assessments made, except for the uncollected items stated in the Tax collector's report. This examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and included such tests of records and other items as was considered necessary to establish the accuracy of the accounts.

In closing, I wish to express my appreciation to the Selectmen, Mr. Ordway, and Mrs. Briggs for the assistance they have given me in making this audit, and preparing this report.

Respectfully submitted,

CYRUS F. FERNALD, C. P. A.

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TOWN OF WILTON, MAINE  
**Comparative Balance Sheets**  
 AS OF JANUARY 31

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	1953	1952
ASSETS		
Administration accounts		
Cash	\$ 42,252 32	\$ 45,454 63
Highway accounts		
Town road construction accounts		
Sidewalks	48 30	0 00
Road equipment accounts		
Road equipment	8,937 51	0 00
Storage and repairs	713 29	0 00
Town garage	502 86	0 00
School accounts		
Prepaid school payroll	0 00	3,575 32
Superintendent	9 45	0 00
Cemetery accounts		
East Wilton	0 00	9 03
Care savings accounts	1,333 35	714 13

	1953	1952
Charity accounts		
State poor	\$ 169 51	\$ 433 31
Non-resident poor	372 33	222 69
Trust accounts		
Trust account #31 Wilton Trust Co.	12,521 29	12,521 29
U. S. Bonds	26,700 00	26,300 00
Savings accounts	375 45	174 46
Acknowledgement of notes	2,148 70	2,148 70
Tax accounts		
Real estate, personal property and poll taxes uncollected	764 60	1,216 20
Tax deeds	397 44	570 79
Tax liens	637 20	0 00
Town owned property	27 96	59 84
Town debt accounts		
Town debt	66,000 00	73,000 00
Deferred appropriations	0 00	10,200 00
Unclassified accounts		
Public buildings	107 17	0 00
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$164,018 73</b>	<b>\$176,600 39</b>

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TOWN OF WILTON, MAINE

**Comparative Balance Sheets**

AS OF JANUARY 31

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	1953	1952
LIABILITIES		
Administration accounts		
Contingent fund	\$ 20,864 18	\$ 27,432 42
Highway accounts		
State road accounts		
Town road improvement	113 59	113 59
Special resolve materials	16 64	1,418 64

	1953	1952
Town road maintenance accounts		
Summer highway	\$ 6 43	\$ 0 00
Tarvia	78 99	0 00
Winter highway	513 51	0 00
Town road construction accounts		
Birch Street Branch	1,200 00	1,200 00
Highway construction	11 49	0 00
Retaining wall	0 00	475 50
Sidewalks	0 00	266 04
Road equipment accounts		
Road equipment	0 00	721 07
School accounts		
Common schools	1,818 10	4,249 46
School repairs	0 00	511 56
Superintendent	0 00	105 90
Wilton Academy tuition	21,000 00	20,000 00
Protection accounts		
Civilian defense	188 70	188 70
Fire department	252 89	144 01
Law enforcement	173 33	0 00
New street lights	0 00	376 78
Street lights	109 85	72 32
Health and sanitation accounts		
Medical examinations	12 56	127 72
Town dump	350 05	339 60
Cemeteries accounts		
Intervale	1 56	9 09
Lakeview and others	1,384 42	767 18
Charity accounts		
Town poor	585 55	337 48
Aid to dependent children	354 07	0 00
Trust accounts		
Rawson Fuller Sidewalk trust	12,521 29	12,521 29
School and Ministerial funds	2,148 70	2,148 70
Trusts for care of cemetery lots	27,075 45	26,474 46
Tax accounts		
Revaluation	3,900 00	0 00

	1953	1952
Town debt accounts		
Bonds payable	\$66,000 00	\$73,000 00
Notes payable	2,148 70	2,148 70
Unclassified accounts		
Library repairs	224 37	816 86
Recreation	633 17	207 36
Social security deductions	63 84	64 01
Teacher's retirement	267 30	361 95
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Total liabilities	\$164,018 73	\$176,600 39



# Finance Committee Report

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The following appropriations are recommended by the Finance Committee:

Common Schools	\$53,300 00
School Appliances, Repairs & Insurance	6,500 00
Superintendency of Schools	2,250 00
School Committee	150 00
New School Bus	6,000 00
Wilton Academy Tuition	40,000 00
Medical Examinations	100 00
Public Health Nurse	1,800 00
Town Charges	13,000 00
Summer Roads & Bridges	10,000 00
Tarvia	6,000 00
Winter Roads	17,000 00
State Aid Road Maintenance	416 80
State Aid Construction	2,256 00
New Road Grader Purchased 1952	9,000 00
Road Equipment	1,000 00
New Town Garage	5,000 00
Fire Department	5,000 00
Fire Chief	350 00
Hydrant Rental	2,630 00
Free Public Library	2,250 00
Library Repairs	1,000 00
Street Lights	3,850 00
Law Enforcement	2,500 00
East Wilton Cemetery	300 00
Intervale Cemetery	200 00
Other Cemeteries	1,500 00
Memorial Day	150 00
Town Poor	4,000 00
Revaluation	8,000 00
Maine Publicity Bureau	150 00
Recreation	2,000 00

Interest		\$1,320 00
Town Bonds		7,000 00
Social Security		1,400 00
Estimated County Tax		7,592 13
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		\$224,964 93
Overlay		2,360 07
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		\$227,325 00
Estimated Poll Taxes	\$ 3,000 00	
Estimated Excise Tax	13,000 00	
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		16,000 00
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Necessary to Raise		\$211,325 00
Estimated Valuation	\$2,350,000 00	
Estimated Tax Rate		0895

Respectfully submitted,

Freedom L. Rand, Howard E. Kyes, Fred A. Blanchard, Wendell D. Brown, C. Francis Egan, Albert T. Fiel, Roy P. Gifford, Donald W. McKeen, Clifford E. Noyes, Roland S. Osgood, Lewis W. Paine, Linwood A. Rolfe, Charles C. Swett and Raymond C. Whitney.

— Finance Committee

# Report of Superintendent of Schools

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*To the Superintending School Committee and Citizens of the Town of Wilton:*

I hereby submit my third annual report of Wilton Schools, and again wish to express appreciation for the help and cooperation of the school committee, other town officers, and all school personnel.

There were several changes in the teaching staff and one teacher was added at the Central School because of increasing grade enrollments. In the elementary field Grace Pesilli, who taught grades 2 and 3 at the primary school, resigned to accept a position at South Portland, and Mrs. Ava Twitchell was transferred from East Dixfield to this position. At East Dixfield David Durost, principal, resigned to accept a position at the Mallett Training School in Farmington. He was replaced by John Grover of Dixfield, who has had experience at Weld, Limerick and in unorganized territory work with the State Department. Mrs. Lois Myers of Peru, who formerly taught at West Peru Grammar School, was secured to teach the East Dixfield primary grades. Verne Byers of Houlton, teacher-coach at the Central School, resigned and was replaced by Mrs. Dorothy Beedy of East Wilton in Grade 7. Miss Blanche Applebee of North Jay, for many years a teacher at Jay and more recently at Brunswick, was added to the staff at the Central School.

At Wilton Academy Edna Bailey and Newell Toothaker resigned to accept positions at Sanford. They were replaced by Edith Kennard, who formerly taught here in the Department of English, and John Choate in the Department of Science. Jascha French, former principal at Buckfield, succeeded Elizabeth Marden as mathematics teacher. Miss Marden resigned to accept a position at Brunswick. Patrick Slatery, teacher of social studies and football coach, left at the end of the year in order to take up work in textiles. Stanley Ferguson was secured as football coach. Eloise Hatfield gave up teaching at the end of the school year and moved to Norridgewock. Jane Austin, who taught home economics at Rumford, was secured for this department. Mary

Young, teacher of Latin and French, was replaced by Agnes Allen of Strong, who formerly taught at Strong, Phillips and Dixfield. Charlene Blanche of the English Department, accepted a position at Winter Harbor. She was replaced by Madeline Buck of Harrison.

The resignations of so many teachers who left in order to accept other positions were accepted with regret. The town was fortunate, however, in being able to secure qualified and competent instructors to take their places.

Many of our teachers continue to secure professional advancement by summer work and by extension courses. A large number are enrolled at the present time, in an extension course in the teaching of reading given by Miss Julia Cox of Farmington State Teachers College at the Central School.

School buildings are in fairly good condition. Last summer exterior painting was done at the Dryden School, and an automatic coal stoker installed at the East Wilton School. Some work is still necessary on the heating plant at the Dryden School and we hope, during the coming summer, to complete the painting of the Dryden School and the East Dixfield School. Perhaps our most needed renovation is at the cafeteria at the Central School. The dining room needs new tables, benches and painting. The kitchen needs considerable change to provide better efficiency. By removing a partition, relocating shelving, adding a storage room and changing the ranges and cook area it would be more desirable. The cost would be considerable, but we hope a start at least may be made this summer. New seating was purchased for one room at East Wilton. We should plan to provide at least one room with new furniture each year in order to keep pace with enrollment and seating that becomes unfit for use.

Mrs. Eva Masterman, school lunch supervisor for several years, resigned in order to accept a permanent position at the Norrwock Shoe Company. Mrs. Loey Hale, who served as supervisor at Baldwin last year, was secured to head the Central School cafeteria. Surplus commodities from the Federal Government continue to be adequate.

One of our more serious problems is in conveyance. Our present busses have a capacity of 48. This is not sufficient for the number to be conveyed on the Weld Road, in the Brown Neighborhood and from Dryden. Dan Perry has been carrying some from the Weld Road. Next year the situation will be even worse. It seems a logical policy this year to exchange the International bus for a new 60-passenger

vehicle. The new bus could probably handle the conveyance on the Weld Road, Brown Neighborhood and Dryden, while our present 48-passenger Ford could handle the East Dixfield Road and East Wilton. Dan Perry continues to convey sub-primary children home at noon. Joseph Hardy of East Wilton conveys pupils from his area and also from Walker Hill. The Wilton Taxi has continued its conveyance of a few children from the Beans Corner area.

The financial report shows that we closed the fiscal year with an unexpended balance of \$1,808.65 in school funds. The budget for next year provides for about the same expenditures as for 1952, with the probability of an increase in teachers' salaries. Articles in this year's warrant authorize the transfer of \$15,000.00 received from the State next December, to Wilton Academy. This means that the Wilton Academy request for appropriations from the town will be \$15,000.00 less than it would be without this transfer of State money. It means also, that the town appropriation for elementary schools will have to be increased \$15,000.00 in order to provide the same amount of money for elementary expenditures. The total requested appropriations from the town, therefore, will actually be no more, but show more clearly the relative cost of elementary and secondary education. The budget appropriation requests for 1953 for elementary schools are as follows:

Elementary Schools	\$53,300 00
Repairs	6,500 00
Superintendence	2,250 00
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	\$62,050 00

A separate article requests an appropriation for a new school bus to replace our present International. It is imperative since the International bus is no longer suitable or safe. Even if it were, increased bus loads now require a 60-passenger vehicle instead of a 48.

A summary of enrollment as of September, 1952, anticipated enrollment for next September, a personnel directory, and the financial statement follow this report.

I should like to call attention also to the reports of Principal Keay of Wilton Academy and Mrs. Leah T. Petersen, supervisor of music.

Respectfully submitted,

GERALD D. CUSHING,  
Superintendent of Schools.

## ENROLLMENT

September, 1952

Elementary Enrollment by grades and schools for the present school year is as follows:

Schools	J.P.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Central					70	60	52	48	34	264
Primary	48	37	39	47						171
East Wilton	15	10	16	14	11	17	11	8	6	108
Dryden	22	9	10	11						52
East Dixfield	8	8	7	4	3	3	12	8	4	57
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	93	64	72	76	84	80	75	64	44	652

## ANTICIPATED ENROLLMENT

September, 1953										
Schools	J.P.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Central					46	70	60	52	48	276
Primary	50	51	36	40						177
East Wilton	15	15	10	16	14	11	17	11	8	117
Dryden	18	20	9	10	11					68
East Dixfield	8	8	8	7	4	3	3	12	8	61
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	91	94	63	73	75	84	80	75	64	699

## PERSONNEL DIRECTORY

SCHOOL	TEACHER	POSITION	HOME ADDRESS
Central Grammar	A. Foster Sanborn	Prin. — Grade 8	Wilton, Me.
Central Grammar	Dorothy Beedy	Grade 7	East Wilton, Me.
Central Grammar	Bernice Green	Grade 6	Wilton, Me.
Central Grammar	Blanche Applebee	Grades 6-7	North Jay, Me.
Central Grammar	Arlene Harriman	Grade 5	East Wilton, Me.
Central Grammar	Aurora Gould	Grade 5	Wilton, Me.
Central Grammar	Dora Perkins	Grade 4	Wilton, Me.
Central Grammar	Charlotte Pratt	Grade 4	Wilton, Me.

SCHOOL	TEACHER	POSITION	HOME ADDRESS
Primary School	Eleanor Mitchell	Prin.—Grade 3	Farmington, Me.
Primary School	Ava Twitchell	Grades 2-3	Farmington, Me.
Primary School	Carrie Scott	Grades 1-2	Wilton, Me.
Primary School	Lillian Burgess	Grade 1	Wilton, Me.
Primary School	Birdena Mosher	Sub-Primary	Wilton, Me.
East Wilton	Walter Webber	Prin.—Grades 6-7-8	Farm., Me.
East Wilton	Maude Corey	Grades 4-5	East Wilton, Me.
East Wilton	Edna Buchanan	Grades 2-3	East Wilton, Me.
East Wilton	Alice Stanley	J. P.-Gr. 1	East Wilton, Me.
Dryden	Helen Waldron	Prin.—Grades 2-3	Dryden, Me.
Dryden	Lucinda Bean	J. P.-Gr. 1	Dryden, Me.
East Dixfield	John Grover	Prin.—Upper Grs.	Dixfield, Me.
East Dixfield	Lois Myers	Lower Grs.	East Peru, Me.

#### SCHOOL PERSONNEL

##### Superintending School Committee

Mr. Floyd Adams, Chairman	Wilton, Maine
Mr. Frank Egan	Wilton, Maine
Mr. Harold Karkos	Wilton, Maine

Superintendent of Schools	Gerald D. Cushing	Jay, Maine
Office Secretary	Margaret Pineau	Livermore Falls, Maine
Music Supervisor	Leah T. Petersen	Wilton, Maine
Truant Officer	Mid Brown	Wilton, Maine
Health Officer	Dr. Maynard Colley	Wilton, Maine
Health Nurse	Olive Bonsey, R.N.	Wilton, Maine

Cafeteria Staff		
Loey Hale	Supervisor	Wilton, Maine

##### Assistants

Ada Allen	Wilton, Maine
Zella Rowe	Wilton, Maine
Christine Collins	Wilton, Maine
Hazel Chaney	East Wilton, Maine

## Conveyance

Donald Shea, Supervisor	Wilton, Maine
Earl Dyke	Wilton, Maine
Dan Perry	Wilton, Maine
Wilton Taxi	Wilton, Maine
Joseph Hardy	Farmington, Me., R. F. D. 3

## Janitors

Harry Burrill, Central and Primary	East Wilton, Maine
Lee Cox, Assistant	Wilton, Maine
Ruth Cox, Assistant	Wilton, Maine
Stanley Pike, Dryden	Dryden, Maine
Harry Adams, East Wilton	East Wilton, Maine

(Wilton Academy Teachers are listed in Principal Keay's Report)

# Wilton School Department

## Financial Statement

1952

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### ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

#### Receipts

Appropriation	\$38,700 00
Balance	4,249 46
Interest on School Fund	94 56
Interest on Ministerial Fund	34 36
Tuition (Dixfield)	2,639 90
Tuition (Washington Plantation)	216 00
Tuition (Town of Chesterville)	100 00
Misc. Receipts (W.A., Rec. Comm., Congo Ch.)	503 15
State Fund	34,888 81
Total	<hr/> \$81,426 24

#### Expenditures

Instruction	\$50,051 46
Fuel	5,139 65
Janitor and Cleaning	6,348 79
Conveyance	8,020 08
Tuition	339 02
Textbooks	2,777 38
Supplies	4,858 68
Water, Light & Power	2,073 38
Total	<hr/> \$79,608 14
Unexpended Balance	<hr/> \$1,818 10

**REPAIRS, RENT, INSURANCE, EQUIPMENT****Receipts**

Appropriation	\$6,500 00
Balance	511 56
East Dixfield Mother's Club	62 60
Dixfield	785 74
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Total	\$7,859 90

**Expenditures**

Repairs	\$4,510 18
Equipment	1,345 56
Rent	165 00
Insurance	1,839 16
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Total	\$7,859 90

**SUPERINTENDENCE****Receipts**

Appropriation	\$2,000 00
Balance	105 90
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Total	\$2,105 90

**Expenditures**

Supervision and Travel	\$1,775 96
Office Expense	339 39
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Total	\$2,115 35
Overdraft	9 45

**STATE OF MAINE****Receipts**

General Purpose Aid	\$34,045 00
Professional Credits	750 00
Additional Subsidy for 1951	93 81
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Total	\$34,888 81
Transferred to Common Schools	\$34,888 81

### RECAPITULATION

Account	Total Receipts	Total Expended	Balance	Overdraft
Elementary Schools	\$81,426 24	\$79,608 14	\$ 1,818 10	
Repairs, Etc.	7,859 90	7,859 90		
Superintendence	2,105 90	2,115 35		\$ 9 45
	<hr/> 91,392 04	<hr/> 89,583 39	<hr/> 1,818 10	<hr/> 9 45
New Unex. Bal.	\$91,392 04	\$91,392 04	\$ 1,818 10	\$ 1,818 10

### SCHOOL BUDGET FOR 1953

#### Elementary Schools

Spent in 1952 Budget for 1953

Instruction	\$50,051 46	\$51,500 00
Fuel	5,139 65	5,000 00
Janitor & Cleaning	6,348 50	6,500 00
Conveyance	8,020 08	8,500 00
Tuition	339 02	300 00
Textbooks	2,777 38	2,500 00
Supplies	4,858 68	4,000 00
Water, Light & Power	2,073 38	2,000 00
	<hr/> \$79,608 15	<hr/> \$80,300 00
Credit by anticipated receipts		27,000 00
		<hr/> \$53,300 00
Recommended Appropriation		

#### Repairs, Equip., Rent, Insurance

Repairs	\$4,510 18	\$3,500 00
Equipment	1,345 56	1,000 00
Rent	165 00	165 00
Insurance	1,839 16	1,835 00
	<hr/> \$7,859 90	<hr/> \$6,500 00
Recommended Appropriation		\$6,500 00

Superintendence		
Salary and Expense	\$1,775 96	\$1,900 00
Office Expense	339 39	350 00
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	\$2,115 35	\$2,250 00
Recommended Appropriation		\$2,250 00

## SUMMARY OF BUDGET

	Raised Last Year 1952	Recom- mended for 1953
Elementary Schools	\$38,700 00	\$53,300 00
Repairs, Etc.	6,500 00	6,500 00
Superintendence	2,000 00	2,250 00
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	\$47,200 00	\$62,050 00

# Report of the Principal of Wilton Academy

To the Superintendent of Schools:

I respectfully submit my eighth report as Principal of Wilton Academy:

## FACULTY

Harland L. Keay, A. B., Colby College, Principal, Mathematics.  
 Leah T. Petersen, Boston University, Skidmore College, Vocal Music.  
 Edith C. Kennard, A. B., University of Maine, English, One-Act Play  
 and Yearbook.  
 Otho F. Knowles, Busch Conservatory of Music, Instrumental Music.  
 Agnes G. Allen, A. B., Colby College, Latin, French, Dramatics and  
 Public Speaking, Dean of Girls.  
 John S. Choate, B. S., Colby College, Science, Assistant Basketball  
 Coach.  
 Madelyn E. Buck, A. B., Gorham State Teachers' College, University  
 of Maine, English, One-Act Play, Commencement.  
 Ivan H. Crouse, B. S., University of Maine, Agriculture.  
 Eugene A. Hunter, A. B., Colby College, Physical Education.  
 Jascha L. French, B. S., Bates College, Mathematics and Science, Cross  
 Country, Winter Sports, Track.  
 Florence E. Greenleaf, B. S., Bliss Business College, University of  
 Maine.  
 Stanley M. Ferguson, A. B., University of Maine, Social Studies, Foot-  
 ball.  
 Jane Austin, B. A., Farmington State Teachers' College, Home Eco-  
 nomics, Field Hockey.  
 Carolyn M. Gage, Westbrook Junior College, Wilton Academy Sec-  
 retary.

## REGISTRATION BY CLASSES

	Boys	Girls	Total
Seniors	19	25	44
Juniors	24	26	50
Sophomores	20	25	45
Freshmen	19	24	43
	<hr/> 82	<hr/> 100	<hr/> 182

### ENROLLMENT BY COURSES

	Classical	Scientific	Home Ec.	Agric.	English	Comm.	Total
Boys	5	32		24	14	7	82
Girls	26	5	11		8	50	100
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	31	37	11	24	22	57	182

### SUBJECTS BY COURSES

Classical	Scientific	English
English, 1, 2, 3, 4	English, 1, 2, 3, 4	English, 1, 2, 3, 4
French 1, 2, 3	Algebra 1, 2	Com. Math 1
Latin 1, 2	Geometry 1	Occupations 1/2
Algebra 1	Trigonometry and	Civics 1/2
Geometry 1	Solid Geometry	World History
U. S. Hist.	French 1, 2, 3	U. S. History
Gen. Science	Biology	U. S. Government
Biology	Chemistry	Sociology
	Physics	Economics
	U. S. Hist.	Home Economics 1
		Agriculture 1
Commercial	Home Economics	Agriculture
English, 1, 2, 3, 4	English, 1, 2, 3, 4	English, 1, 2, 3, 4
Com. Math 1	Home Economics,	Agriculture 1, 2, 3, 4
Occupations 1/2	1, 2, 3, 4	Com. Math 1
Civics 1/2	Com. Math 1	Occupations 1/2
Gen. Business 1	Occupations 1/2	Civics 1/2
Stenography 1, 2	Civics 1/2	U. S. History 1
Bookkeeping 1	U. S. History 1	World History 1
Typing 1, 2	Gen. Science 1	Gen. Science 1
Office Practice 1	World History 1	Biology 1
U. S. History 1	Biology 1	

Boston University tested our Juniors and Seniors, vocationally, in the fall. All parents are invited to see the results of these tests at any time.

Educational tests will be administered to the Freshmen this month. Our testing program is instituted to help us guide the students educationally and vocationally.

Sixteen of the thirty-two members of the Class of 1952 are attending college or schools of higher learning. Reports from these schools indicate these students are doing excellent work. Nancy Collins received meritorious recognition as one of the outstanding students in the Freshmen class at the University of Maine. Indications show that a large number of this year's class plan to continue their education after graduation.

Norman Beisaw, Junior, has won superior recognition for himself and Wilton Academy in his experimentation in the State and New England Science Fair. His freshman year he earned first place in the State Science Fair and his sophomore year he won first place in the State Fair and the New England Science Congress. He was one of two students in Maine high schools to win first place in the New England contest.

Several new purchases of equipment were added to our cafeteria this past year, a deep freeze, potato peeler, dishes and utensils. Funds for purchasing this equipment were derived from the Lions Club suppers. We thank the Lions Club most sincerely for their help.

A larger number of students are taking hot lunches this year than ever before. We are very fortunate to have Mrs. Ida Melendy and Mrs. Althea Babb conduct our hot lunch program. Excellent hot meals are served daily for twenty-five cents per meal. These ladies not only prepare the meals but do all the planning and purchasing.

The Wilton Academy Chorus under the competent direction of Mrs. Petersen presented another Cabaret in December, which was well received by the public. A Concert will be presented in the Spring and the group will attend the Maine Music Festival.

Over fifty students are taking instrumental music lessons from our capable Mr. Knowles. Sixty new band uniforms were purchased last year. This year a County Band Festival will be presented at Jay for the first time. Three bands from Jay, Livermore and Farmington are practicing here at the Academy for this festival.

Several class rooms and hallways were painted last summer. The roof of the Academy building was repaired. The school store was moved to the basement and the old store converted into a small office. A new tone system replaces the old bell system. This is connected

to the inter-communication system. A new film strip and a tape recorder have been purchased. We are attempting to enlarge our visual education program.

It is hoped that the Commercial rooms in the old gym will be installed permanently soon. For two years these rooms have been temporary quarters.

The following is a list of our student clubs and activities: Student Council, Girls Athletic Association, Future Homemakers, Future Farmers, School Publications, Dramatics, Vocal Music, Band, Social Committee, Office Girls, Traffic Squad, and Entertainment Committee.

My sincere thanks go to the Trustees, Superintendent, School Committee and friends of Wilton Academy for their help and support during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

HARLAND L. KEAY, Principal.

## Music Supervisor's Report

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*To the Superintendent, Trustees, School Board and Townspeople:*

I submit my annual report.

On April 17th, the Academy Mixed Chorus presented its annual spring concert to an appreciative audience. The chorus was assisted by Janice Trask and James Armstrong, pianists; Joan Carter, Saxophonist and Edna F. Bailey, choral accompanist. The choral group also put on a minstrel show on May 8th.

On December 6th, the mixed chorus gave its third annual cabaret show to a capacity audience. Choral selections, solos, duets, quartettes, as well as solo and group dances highlighted this entertainment. The dance specialties were under the able direction of Mrs. Mary Vanderhoff.

The mixed chorus also participated at the Western Maine Music Festival, held in Lewiston May 3rd and received a superior rating at its audition.

The Wilton Academy Band under the direction of Otho Knowles presented its annual concert at the Academy Gym, May 1st. An open air concert was also held at the Town Square on May 24th. The proceeds from these two concerts was used toward the purchase of new band uniforms. From the proceeds of a "Chicken Shoot" the Lion's Club added a sizeable contribution toward this project.

Besides being featured as part of the program at the County Convention held in Farmington on May 9th the band took part in the Memorial Day exercises held in Wilton, North Jay and Rangeley, as well as in the Masonic Commandery parade in Portland on June 24th.

The band also attended the Western Maine Music Festival in Lewiston and received an excellent rating at its audition.

On May 22nd, the combined elementary schools of Wilton and Jay presented a festival of early folk songs and dances, using as its theme "Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness". Five hundred and thirty-five children took part in this colorful pageant, which was enthusiastically received by a large audience of parents and friends. Mr.

Foster Sanborn as narrator and Mr. George Goforth as caller for the square dances added much to the success of this festival.

Thanks to all teachers, parents and friends who have cooperated in making all our musical activities such a success during the past school year.

Respectfully submitted,

LEAH T. PETERSEN,

Music Supervisor.

# Treasurer's Report — Wilton Academy

Year ending June 30, 1952

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## STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSE

### INCOME

	1952
Income on Endowment	\$ 1,108 39
Town of Wilton	40,000 00
Tuition — Town and State	415 00
Individuals	580 00
Music and Band	1,200 00
State of Maine — Academy Aid	3,734 24
Agriculture	1,640 92
Home Economics	1,218 97
Veterans' Admin. (Loss) Gain	350 83
Rental Gymnasium	90 00
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	\$50,338 35

### EXPENSE

Teachers' Salaries	\$36,245 00
Janitors' Salaries	2,671 75
Fuel — Academy	2,841 41
Electric Light and Power	2,339 00
Office Salary	1,595 00
Text Books and Supplies	550 63
Janitors' Supplies & Minor Repairs	792 89
Repairs on Building-Regular	1,044 46
Insurance on Building	599 42
Interest on Notes Payable	17 10
Expense Agriculture	313 60
Biology	34 79
Chemistry & Physics	196 40
Commercial Department	467 24
English Department	97 82

Film Service		\$ 35 18
Home Economics		253 49
Library		149 43
Music		87 24
Office		440 94
Physical Education		81 87
Physical Examinations		90 00
Travel — Teacher Agriculture		150 00
Treasurer's Bond		37 50
Diplomas & Commencement Expense		59 62
Miscellaneous		256 27
Water — Academy		180 71
Gymnasium	1952	
Fuel	\$1,479 40	
Repairs	410 23	
Insurance	693 90	
Water	54 51	\$2,638 04
Total Current Expense		\$54,266 80
Deficit for year		\$3,928 45

### INCOME FOR DESIGNATED PURPOSES

#### RECEIPTS

Agnes I. Goodspeed Fund	\$40 00
Susan H. Weston Fund	20 00
Gordon Wood Jenkins Fund	20 00
George F. Goodspeed Fund	250 00
Edwin S. Hall	96 50
Clifford J. Beisaw	25 00
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	\$451 50

#### PAYMENTS

Home Economics Department	\$40 00
James F. Armstrong — Mathematics Prize	20 00
Lois J. Haley — Gordon Wood Jenkins Award	20 00
James F. Armstrong — Hall Prize	50 00
Miles A. Brown — Hall Prize	15 00
Carol A. Leach — Hall Prize	10 00

Norman Beisaw — Clifford J. Beisaw Award	\$ 25 00	
Athletic Field Fund	250 00	
Expenses	21 50	
	<hr/>	\$451 50

#### AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

It is hereby certified that the books, accounts and financial documents of the above-named Academy have been examined for the period indicated and found to be in a satisfactory and accurate condition, with proper vouchers on file. It is the opinion of the undersigned that the above Balance Sheet and accompanying Statement of Revenue and Expenditures properly reflect the financial condition of the Academy at June 30, 1952, and the result of operations for the year then ended.

CYRUS F. FERNALD, C. P. A.

Wilton, Maine

August 13, 1952

# South Franklin County Tuberculosis and Health Association

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To the citizens of Wilton the twenty-fifth annual report of this association is respectfully submitted, and covers a period from January 1st, 1952 to January 1st, 1953.

In reviewing much that has been published on Community Organization we find that it continually stresses that active participation is the only sure means of holding interest in any undertaking.

We have a general over all interest in the health of the community but we realize that other groups have as their first concern a particular health project and are only secondarily interested in other problems at hand. It is our aim to coordinate the efforts and resources of existing agencies so that while working to improve health conditions, each group holds its own identity.

Schools are interested in the child's fitness to participate in such activities as that particular school affords, correction of such defects as vision and hearing which will make his work easier, and emotional problems which make it difficult for him to adjust to the school day. The parents in any capacity are interested in any plan which affects their child.

The health officer by law is responsible for the protection of the public through control of communicable diseases and sanitation. The medical and dental profession are primarily concerned with individual curative procedures and more recently with preventive medical services.

Industry is interested in a program which will keep their employees happy and at high production.

Farm Bureaus with their home training, Scouts with character building, and clubs with varying interests and zeal, all make up our Public Relations Committee, and it is through them that we must work to bring about a healthier community.

Physically life has become much easier for us, but emotionally it is more difficult. The unrest of the past decade, from depression to war, has taken a toll of everyone. We are more aware that pre-

ventive measures may be taken to insure a serene outlook. At present a movement is underway to organize a Mental Hygiene Society in Maine. We hope that it will bring more resources to us in dealing with emotional problems in our daily lives.

The transition of returning all administration practices from state to local associations, except for Christmas Seal mailing, has been completed. It does make some changes in program planning.

We cooperated with the Maine Tuberculosis Association by assisting Dr. Ashley, State Bureau of Health, with promotional features of the chest x-ray survey in North Franklin County. The regional Diagnostic Clinics have been held in Wilton in May and November. 16 from Wilton have been x-rayed. Each clinic discharges some contacts or suspects who have been followed for several years and not developed active disease. This decreases our cases load, although a few new ones are added. There were 10 home visits. 73 in junior primary and eighth grades were given Patch tests.

The New England Conference of Tuberculosis Workers was held in Portland in September. It was a most interesting meeting with physicians, psychiatrists, nurses, medical social workers, nutritionists, health education consultants, vocational rehabilitation workers, and—patients making up the panel each day. This gives you some idea of all that is behind finding the patient, getting him well, and back on the job.

One preschool clinic was held this year with 21 attending. This is an improvement over last year. Part of the second grade was examined and all who compete in basketball. This school year in addition to those going out for basketball at Central and East Wilton, all pupils at East Dixfield have been examined. There have been 460 interviews with teachers regarding their pupils or program. We are hoping that Fluoride treatments will be available before the year's end.

The Scouts have been assisted with their program and 250 children were inspected for the Recreation program.

Dr. Colley was assisted with the immunization clinics. 6 children came for the whole course of three inoculations against diphtheria, whooping cough and tetanus. 15 came for two inoculations and 68 had one. 42 of these were known to be booster doses. 49 were vaccinated but only 4 came to be read. Miss Green and the Girl Scouts again assisted at the clinics.

Home visits not mentioned were 37 to adults and 80 to children, and 142 interviews for various reasons.

Without an active town committee to plan you do not get the benefit of all that is offered. In fact if you do not get together and discuss it you do not know what is offered. We urge all groups to be actively interested in health and offer our services in any programs they may sponsor.

With this report we close twenty-five years of public health work in Wilton. This is not an experiment any more. We should appraise our worth and decide what of the old is to be kept, and what of the new should be added.

Respectfully submitted,

SOUTH FRANKLIN COUNTY TUBERCULOSIS AND  
HEALTH ASSOCIATION

By OLIVE BONSEY, R.N., Executive Secretary

# Report of the Health Officer

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*To the Citizens of Wilton:*

Other than the usual number of cases of Children's diseases, 1952 has presented no serious outbreaks of infectious or contagious disease. There have been rather a large number of cases of septic sore throats, previously called Scarlet fever or Scarletina. These cases were, to my knowledge, mild in nature, short in duration and responded well to treatment. This epidemic has been pretty much statewide, and has caused no serious alarm.

During the summer the lakeside recreational program was closed as a precautionary measure, due to the number of children taking part, and because of the low water. It was regrettable that the program was not reopened. As soon as word got around that it was advisable to suspend the program, the committee had decided to close for the season, and discharge all the instructors. This caused considerable disappointment and some ill feeling. Rumors were even started that our lake was infected with Polio, and was unsafe for swimming. This, of course, was completely unfounded.

We were fortunate that no cases of Polio were reported in Wilton during the past year, though there were two or three cases reported in nearby towns.

It is of interest that our school teachers are watching carefully for any outbreak of infectious or contagious diseases in the schools. It is quite proper that the teachers should send any child home who presents a questionable illness, and that they demand a statement from a physician before the child returns to school.

Respectfully submitted,

MAYNARD B. COLLEY, M. D.,

Health Officer

# Report of the Recreation Committee for 1952

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*To the Citizens of Wilton:*

The members of the Recreation Committee present the following report:

The Recreation Program opened on June 30th with 450 registered. The swimming classes were taught by Miss Jane Austin whose salary was paid by the Red Cross. Her two assistants were Nancy Collins and Janice Trask. Betty Colley and Deborah Getchell assisted overcrowded classes. The biggest day of the summer at the waterfront was July 16th when 184 children had swimming lessons. The playground was supervised by Mr. Gale Webber and Mrs. Frances Hammond. The gatekeeper was Sally Mosher. Bus transportation was provided in East Wilton and East Dixfield. The buses stopped at any place on their route where five or more children congregated. The bus drivers were Gale Webber and Ivan Crouse. Improvements were made on the waterfront by new floats and repairing the damaged ones. On the playground toilet facilities were built. A merry-go-round was installed on the playground. Mrs. Maxine Ryan had charge of arts and crafts program and Mrs. Olive Colley had charge of special events.

A special meeting was held on July 24th, 1952. Dr. Colley said that the swimming program would have to be closed because of the low water. The last three weeks of the swimming program were discontinued. The teen age program was carried on as usual under the supervision of Gale Webber.

It was decided at the January meeting of the Recreation Committee to build one big diving float, 1 float for the crib and the other floats are to be repaired.

A new bridge has been built for the skating rink. Frank Gilbert Jr. has charge of the skating rink. The first day there were 63 children, second day 50, and third day 43 at the rink.

The Recreation Committee wishes to thank all of the volunteer helpers and Selectmen for their generous help during the four week program and skating program.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY FOSS, *Secretary.*

## MEMBERS OF RECREATION COMMITTEE

Kenneth Burrill, Chairman	Wilton
Mary Foss, Secretary	Wilton
Lawson Reeves, Treasurer	Wilton
Olive Colley	Wilton
Maxine Ryan	Wilton
Carl Swett	Wilton
Harvey McMinniman	Wilton
Merrill Doak	Wilton
Donald McKeen	East Wilton
Osborne Wilkins	Wilton
Herbert Marble	Dryden
Walter Fletcher	East Dixfield
Stewart Bradeen	Wilton
Mrs. Durwood Trask	Wilton
Samuel Johnson	Wilton

The following is a financial report of the Wilton Recreation committee for the year 1952-1953. Because of the expansion of the program, the budget permitted but a seven-week waterfront program. Because of the abnormally low water so early in the summer the project was closed after but four weeks. This allowed an unexpended balance for this activity. As in the several past years, the Wilton Woolen Co. put in and took out the floats free of charge. Two hundred dollars was budgeted for this purpose. This money was used to construct a suitable bridge at the skating rink. Besides the Wilton Woolen Co., the committee wishes to thank Albert Fiel for giving of his time and equipment on the bridge, to Tony DeRocco for the free use of the bowling alleys, the Selectmen for the use of the Town Hall, the Wilson Lake Country Club and all the other individuals who cooperated to help make our project such a success.

Balance from 1951-52 account	\$ 210 36
Appropriation March 3, 1952	2,000 00
Total available	<hr/> \$2,210 36

*Expenses*

Waterfront	\$269 52
Transportation	197 03

Playground	\$499 14	
Skating rink	570 75	
Older program	32 00	
General expenses	8 75	
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	\$1,577 19	
Balance Carried Forward		\$633 17*

\* Two hundred of this amount is necessary to continue the skating program until the annual Town Meeting.

LAWSON REEVES, *Treasurer.*

# Librarian's Report and Treasurer's Report

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*To the Citizens of the Town of Wilton:*

In making my fifteenth report as Librarian of Wilton Free Public Library I wish to thank our many friends for their gifts of books and the Clubs for funds given the Library to use for the purchase of books. Our circulation for the year is slightly down from last year. Total circulation 19,045 books.

275 new books have been added and we now have in circulation 10,928 books. Also three sets of Encyclopedias that are up to date.

Respectfully submitted,

IDA MELENDY, *Librarian.*

## INCOME

Appropriation	\$2,250 00
State Stipend	90 00
Interest	305 06
Tyngtown Club	30 00
Wiltona Club	5 00
Girl Scouts	2 75
Money drawer	48 76
On hand Feb. 1, 1952	185 45
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	\$2,917 02

## EXPENDITURES

Librarian	\$550 00
Asst. Librarian	240 00
Izora Wright, cleaning	104 00
Magazines	108 50
Light	84 81

Maine Register	\$ 12 80
Postage	7 50
Oil	304 00
Repairs	18 60
Insurance	202 30
Lawn and snow removal	38 40
Supplies	46 80
Personal Book Shop	451 09
Campbell's Books	138 87
Foremans Books	12 00
Huntting Books	203 41
Imperial Book Co.	192 75
Reader's Guide	14 50
Doubleday Books	38 68
On hand Feb. 1, 1953	148 01
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	\$2,917 02

# Report of Fire Company

	Number of Fires	Average Labor Cost
Total number	73	
General	13	\$50 50
Chimney	37	4 65
Automobile	3	3 70
Grass	2	5 50
Out of Town	7	34 70
Dump	7	4 65
Misc.	4	3 00

## SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND BILLS PAID BY THE SELECTMEN

Pay Roll tending Red Net Work	\$1,821 25
Fireman's Pay Roll	1,151 00
Lights	103 70
Labor and material including fuel	1,698 71
Water	14 26
East Wilton	315 58
Phone	236 40
Insurance	246 75
Gas	31 30

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\$5,618 95

## RECEIPTS

Balance	\$ 144 01
Appropriation	5,000 00
Forster Mfg. Co.	118 50
Chesterville Fire Dept.	124 15
Rumford Oil Co., over payment	190 93
Livermore Falls	225 00
Town of Livermore	69 25

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\$5,871 84

Balance carried forward

\$252 89

## INVENTORY

- 1 1948 Ford F6-600 Gallon Tank Truck, equipped with Fog, Wet-Water and Foam
- 1 1946 F V8 500 Gallon Triple Combination Pumper
- 1 1941 American LaFrance 500 Gallon Triple Combination Pumper
- 1 1931 Ford Model A equipped for Chimney, Grass fires and General Service
- 1 Edward Forestry Pump
- 2 Pacific Forestry Pumps
- 1 Hale FZZ Portable Pumps
- 1 Model 12 Alfco 1250 Watt Generator with two 500 W Flood lights and one 250 W Spot Light
- 3,750 ft. 2½" Double Jacket Hose
- 2,000 ft. 1½" Double Jacket Hose
- 1,200 ft. 1½" Single Jacket Hose
- 500 ft. Garden Hose
- 100 ft. Single Ladders
- 2 Ton Coal
- 20 Indian Pump Tanks
- 5 Soda and Acid Extinguishers
- 2 Foamite Extinguishers
- 1 3 lb. CO-2 Extinguisher
- 1 20 lb. Ansul Extinguisher
- 100 lbs. Chimney Chemical
- 1 Combination Inhalator and Resuscitator with four cylinders of Oxygen
- 2 Scott Air-Pak Breathing Apparatus with four compressed air tanks
- 5 Gallons Foam
- 20 Gallons Wet Water
- 1 Mechanical Foam Unit 5 Gallons from Booster

RAYMOND C. WHITNEY, Chief  
 LESTER LOTHROP, Asst. Chief  
 HOWARD YEATON, Asst. Chief  
 CARLTON SCOTT, Captain





# TOWN of *Wilton*



## ANNUAL REPORT

Year Ending February 1

1954

The cover of this report is a picture of the Fenderson homestead. On June 22, 1953 (the 150th anniversary of the incorporation of Wilton as a town) Mrs. Gardner G. Fernald, assisted by her son and daughter-in-law, Cyrus F. and Emily S. Fernald, gave this property to the town, to be used as a parking lot. This parking lot is to be known as the "Fenderson-Fernald Memorial Parking Lot", and was given in memory of Mrs. Fernald's husband, Gardner G. Fernald, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Fenderson Jr.

Three generations of the Fenderson family made their homes in this house. Cyrus Fenderson Sr. purchased it from the Charles Morse estate in the 1840's, and considerably altered the original buildings. His son Cyrus Fenderson Jr. purchased it from his father's estate, and lived here until his death in 1926. Mrs. Fernald's sister, Edna E. Fenderson, then lived here until her death in May 1953.

# ANNUAL REPORT

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# Town of Wilton

Year Ending

January 31, 1954

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## IMPORTANT

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All Taxpayers should read the following and comply with it, Section 35, Chapter 81, Revised Statutes of Maine, 1944:

Before making an assessment, the Assessors shall give Reasonable Notice in writing to the Inhabitants by posting notifications in some public place in Town, or shall notify them, in such other ways as the Town at its Annual Meeting directs, to make and bring in to them true and perfect lists of their polls and all their estates, real and personal, not by law exempt from taxation, of which they were possessed on the first day of April of the same year. If any resident owner after being reasonably requested thereto by the Assessors, does not bring in such lists, he is thereby barred of his right to make application to the Assessors or the County Commissioners for any abatement of his taxes, unless he offers such list with his application and satisfies them that he was unable to offer it at the time appointed. The request upon non-resident owners may be proved by a notice sent by mail directed to the last known address of the Taxpayer or given by any other method that brings notice home to the Taxpayer.

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# TOWN OFFICERS

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## Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of Poor

HAROLD L. YOUNG

AARON F. PARKER

HARRY L. STANSFIELD

GEORGE H. BASS II

WILFRED WAGNER

## Town Manager

### Treasurer

### Road Commissioner

### Purchasing Agent

### Tax Collector

### Excise Tax Collector

JAMES M. ORDWAY

## Town Clerk

HOWARD E. KYES

## Superintending School Committee

C. FRANCIS EGAN    HAROLD M. KARKOS    FLOYD ADAMS

## Health Officer

MAYNARD B. COLLEY, M. D.

## Moderator

HUBERT I. RYAN

## Fire Chief

RAYMOND WHITNEY

## Assistant Fire Chiefs

LESTER LOTHROP

HOWARD YEATON

## Constables

JAMES M. ORDWAY

ROBERT E. WOOD

HARLAND HUTCHINSON

RAYMOND HOLT

VICTOR SMALL

Hall Agent  
BLAINE TRASK

Community Building Custodian  
ROBERT E. WOOD

Public Weigher  
J. WALDRON MARBLE

Truant Officer  
MID W. BROWN

Surveyor of Wood, Bark and Lumber  
MOTT SEARLES

Fence Viewers  
EARL HARNDEN      CLIFFORD NOYES      FREEDOM RAND

Sealer of Weights and Measures  
RICHARD SHOREY

Building Inspector  
ALBERT T. FIEL

Chimney Inspector  
ROBERT E. WOOD

Sextons  
ARTHUR ROWE      W. W. ADAMS      C. W. BUTTERFIELD

Finance Committee  
RALPH C. HALL, Chairman      CLIFFORD NOYES  
HOWARD E. KYES, Secretary      LAURENCE D. GOODSPEED  
CHARLES C. SWETT      FRED A. BLANCHARD  
ROY P. GIFFORD      HAROLD JACKSON  
DONALD McKEEN      C. FRANCIS EGAN  
EARL HARNDEN      ROBERT M. EDWARDS  
JOHN F. BLANCHARD      FREEDOM RAND  
LINWOOD ROLFE      ALBERT T. FIEL  
M. W. BROWN      ROLAND S. OSGOOD  
OMER BEISAW      LEWIS PAINE      ROBERT PIERCE

# Warrant for Annual Town Meeting

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To James M. Ordway, a Constable of the Town of Wilton in the County of Franklin and State of Maine, or any other Constable in said town, Greeting:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Wilton, in said County, to meet at the Wilton Town Hall in said Town on Monday, the first day of March, A. D. 1954, at eight o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, to wit:

## Article 1

To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

## Article 2

To choose by ballot the following officers for the ensuing year in accordance with Sections 46 to 60 inclusive of Chapter 80, Me. R. S. 1944, as amended: Town Clerk, five Selectmen, five Assessors, five Overseers of the Poor, Member of School Board for three years. The polls or ballot boxes for receiving ballots for the above mentioned officers shall be closed at 12:30 p. m.

## Article 3

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Superintending School Committee to make a contract with and pay the Trustees of Wilton Academy for the tuition of the Town's scholars qualified to attend such school, in accordance with section 96 of Chapter 37, Me. R. S. 1944, as amended.

## Article 4

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the formation of a joint committee to consist of the Superintending School Committee and an equal number of the Trustees of Wilton Academy, said joint committee to be empowered to select and employ the teachers for the Academy, to fix salaries, to arrange the courses of study and to supervise the in-

struction, and to formulate and enforce proper regulations pertaining to other educational activities of the school, as provided in Section 96 of Chapter 37, Me. R. S. 1944.

#### Article 5

To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to adopt forthwith Sections 109A to 109F inclusive of Chapter 204 of the Public Laws of Maine of 1945 being the Act which authorized municipalities to establish, maintain, conduct and finance recreational facilities.

#### Article 6

To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to appoint the necessary personnel for conducting and administering said recreational program.

#### Article 7

To see how taxes shall be collected and when made payable for the ensuing year.

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1953: According to law.      Recommended: Poll Taxes due May 1st, Personal Property September 1st, Real Estate December 15th.

#### Article 8

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the Town, to sell and dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town for non-payment of taxes thereon, on such terms as they deem advisable, and to execute quit-claim deeds for such property.

#### Article 9

To see if the Town will vote to instruct its Treasurer with the consent and approval of the Selectmen to borrow sufficient money to pay the running expenses of the Town for the period between the closing of the books February 1, 1955 and the Annual Meeting in March 1955.

#### Article 10

To see if the Town will vote to authorize its Treasurer to make temporary loans to be approved by the Selectmen and not to exceed the total tax levy of the preceding municipal year in which they are made, said money to be paid out of money raised by taxes during the current year in which said loans are made, in accordance with the provisions of Section 96 of Chapter 80, Me. R. S. 1944.

**Article 11**

To see if the Town will vote to elect or appoint a Finance Committee.

**Article 12**

To see if the Town will vote to reappropriate unexpended balances in the following accounts or some of them, to the respective account for the current year:

Town Road				
Improvement	\$	11 65	Summer Highway	\$ 53 33
Winter Highway		1,572 57	Tarvia	137 99
Highway Construction		11 49	Kenneth Gifford	
Sidewalks		44 68	Road	1,124 13
Storage and Repairs		259 57	Road Equipment	622 72
Common Schools		389 53	Town Garage	470 00
School Bus		1,413 27	Civilian Defense	88 70
W. A. Tuition		25,500 00	Law Enforcement	244 59
Sewage Survey		1,700 00	Medical Exams	91 86
Other Cemeteries		1,226 70	Intervale Cemetery	2 47
Revaluation		3,185 36	Town Poor	227 79
Recreation		280 17	Public Buildings	247 44
Fenderson-Fernald Memorial Parking Lot		1,047 08	Social Security	46 30

**Article 13**

To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of \$12,000.00 being the sum appropriated for Flood Repair at the Special Town Meeting, held June 12, 1953.

Recommended — So to vote

**Article 14**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 or any part thereof, for Road Equipment.

1953 appropriation — \$1,000 00

Recommended — \$2,000 00

**Article 15**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of Common Schools for the ensuing year.

1953 appropriation — \$53,300 00

Recommended — \$55,350 00

**Article 16**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for school appliances, repairs, playgrounds and insurance on the school buildings for the ensuing year.

1953 appropriation — \$6,500 00                      Recommended — \$4,500 00

**Article 17**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Superintendency of the Public Schools for the ensuing year.

1953 appropriation — \$2,250 00                      Recommended — \$2,200 00

**Article 18**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to pay the members of the Superintending School Committee.

1953 appropriation — \$150 00                      Recommended — \$150 00

**Article 19**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for tuition of its scholars attending Wilton Academy.

1953 appropriation — \$40,000 00                      Recommended — \$35,000 00

**Article 20**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the services of a Public Health Nurse.

1953 appropriation — \$1,800 00                      Recommended — \$1,800 00

**Article 21**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Summer Maintenance of Roads and Bridges.

1953 appropriation — \$10,000 00                      Recommended — \$8,000 00

**Article 22**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Winter Maintenance of Roads and Bridges.

1953 appropriation — \$17,000 00                      Recommended — \$14,000 00

**Article 23**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for State Aid Road Construction (in addition to amounts raised for ways and bridges under other articles in this warrant) under the provisions of Sections 25 and 29 of Chapter 20, Me. R. S. 1944, as amended.

1953 appropriation — \$2,256 00                      Recommended — \$2,388 00

**Article 24**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Maintenance and Snow Removal on State Highways under Section 46 of Chapter 20, Me. R. S. 1944 as amended.

1953 appropriation — \$416 80                      Recommended — \$416 80

**Article 25**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Tarvia to be applied to the streets and highways of the Town.

1953 appropriation — \$6,000 00                      Recommended — \$5,000 00

**Article 26**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Wilton Free Public Library Association.

1953 appropriation — \$2,250 00                      Recommended — \$2,350 00

**Article 27**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for repairs to the Free Public Library Building.

1953 appropriation — \$1,000 00                      Recommended — \$500 00

**Article 28**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for observance of Memorial Day, to be expended by Hosmer-Edwards Post No. 117, the American Legion.

1953 appropriation — \$150 00                      Recommended — \$150 00

**Article 29**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for maintenance of a Fire Department for the ensuing year.

1953 appropriation — \$5,000 00                      Recommended — \$5,000 00

**Article 30**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to be paid to the Chief of the Wilton Fire Department in addition to his regular pay for attending fires.

1953 appropriation — \$350 00                      Recommended — \$350 00

**Article 31**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the care and upkeep of the East Wilton Cemetery, said money to be spent under the direction of the East Wilton Cemetery Association.

1953 appropriation — \$300 00                      Recommended — \$300 00

**Article 32**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the care and upkeep of the Intervale Cemetery.

1953 appropriation — \$200 00                      Recommended — \$200 00

**Article 33**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the care and upkeep of other Cemeteries in the Town of Wilton.

1953 appropriation — \$1,500 00                      Recommended — \$1,000 00

**Article 34**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to be paid to the State of Maine Publicity Bureau to be spent as provided by Section 95 of Chapter 80, Me. R. S. 1944.

1953 appropriation — \$150 00                      Recommended — \$150 00

**Article 35**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of Town Poor for the ensuing year.

1953 appropriation — \$4,000 00                      Recommended — \$4,000 00

**Article 36**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to be expended for recreational purposes as authorized under Articles 5 and 6 of this warrant.

1953 appropriation — \$2,000 00                      Recommended — \$2,000 00

**Article 37**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for payment of interest for the ensuing year.

1953 appropriation — \$1,320 00                      Recommended — \$1,500 00

**Article 38**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Retirement of School Bonds.

1953 appropriation — \$7,000 00                      Recommended — \$7,000 00

**Article 39**

To see what salary the Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor shall be paid from the Town Charges account.

Recommended — \$1,000 00 in all

**Article 40**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for law enforcement.

1953 appropriation — \$2,500 00                      Recommended — \$2,200 00

**Article 41**

To see if the Town will vote to defray Town Charges from excise tax receipts.

**Article 42**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to appropriate from the Excise Tax account to defray Town Charges.

1953 appropriation — \$13,000 00                      Recommended — \$13,000 00

**Article 43**

To see if the Town will vote to maintain a hydrant on Weld Street near the residence of William Smith.

**Article 44**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for further construction of the New Town Garage.

1953 appropriation — \$5,000 00                      Recommended — \$5,000 00

**Article 45**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from which payments shall be made to the Maine State Retirement System so that Town employees shall be covered under the provisions of the Social Security Act.

1953 appropriation — \$700 00

Recommended — \$1,000 00

**Article 46**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for buying or trading School Busses.

1953 appropriation — \$6,000 00

Recommended — \$1,000 00

**Article 47**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 to cooperate with the Maine Forest Service and the Federal Government in control of White Pine Blister Rust, in accordance with Revised Statutes, Chap. 32, Sec. 54.

**Article 48**

To see if the Town will vote to install and maintain a street light in Hinkleyville, so called, near the residence of Merle Thompson.

Recommended — Pass Article

**Article 49**

To see if the Town will vote to install and maintain a street light in Hinkleyville, so called, near the residence of Joseph Landry.

Recommended — Pass Article

**Article 50**

To see if the Town will vote to install and maintain a street light on the East Dixfield Road near the residence of Dorothy Lothrop.

Recommended — No Recommendation

**Article 51**

To see if the Town will vote to install and maintain a hydrant in Hinkleyville, so called.

Recommended — Pass Article

**Article 52**

To see if the Town will vote to install and maintain a street light on Webb Avenue, so called.

Recommended — No Recommendation

**Article 53**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to light the streets of Wilton, East Wilton, Dryden and East Dixfield.

1953 appropriation — \$3,831.00

Recommended — \$4,000.00

**Article 54**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for hydrant service for the ensuing year.

1953 appropriation — \$2,630.00

Recommended — \$2,800.00

**Article 55**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to improve the McAuley Road, so called, leading to the residence of Hazen Mayo.

Recommended — Pass Article

**Article 56**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to improve the road in Hinkleyville, from Oscar Thompson's to the Jay Town Line.

Recommended — Pass Article

**Article 57**

To see if the Town will vote to accept a town way as laid out by the Selectmen beginning at a point on the westerly side of Curve Street, so called, in Wilton Village, and thence westerly along a right of way as now travelled to a point near the residence of Verna Cushman.

Recommended — Pass Article

**Article 58**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to be expended to construct the way described in Article 57.

Recommended — Pass Article

**Article 59**

To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the town way running from an intersection near the residence of Dan Knowles easterly to the residence of Mallie Farmer, subject to gates and bars.

**Article 60**

To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the town way running from a point near the residence of Charles Bubier easterly to the town way leading from East Wilton Village to the residence of Joseph Hardy, subject to gates and bars.

**Article 61**

To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the town way running from a point near the residence of Vivian Bryant northerly to a town way passing the Green place, so called, owned by Paul and Marcelyn Farnum.

**Article 62**

To see if the Town will vote to install an underground system to drain the surface water from the Central School Athletic Field.

Recommended — No Recommendation

**Article 63**

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purpose of Article 62.

Recommended — No Recommendation

**Article 64**

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to regrade and resurface the highway leading from U. S. Highway No. 2 to the East Wilton Cemetery.

Recommended — Pass Article

**Article 65**

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purpose of applying gravel to the highway from the Donald D. Brown farm, so called, to the residence of T. C. Hall & Son.

Recommended — Pass Article

**Article 66**

To see if the Town will vote to revoke and terminate the trust agreement entered into by it with Wilton Trust Company as Trustee on January 24, 1934 under which agreement Wilton Trust Company is Trustee of the Rawson Fuller Sidewalk Fund, so called.

Recommended —

**Article 67**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a new trust agreement with a new Trustee in place of Wilton Trust Company by which the Town would turn over to such Trustee the Rawson Fuller Sidewalk Fund, so called, on substantially the same terms and conditions as are stated in the trust agreement with Wilton Trust Company.

Recommended —

**Article 68**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 for new construction from Excise Taxes.

The Selectmen give notice that they will be in session at the Town Office in Wilton on Saturday, February 27, 1954 to hear and decide upon the application of persons claiming a right to vote.

Given under our hands this 12th day of February, A. D. 1954.

HAROLD L. YOUNG,  
HARRY L. STANSFIELD,  
AARON F. PARKER,  
GEORGE H. BASS II,  
WILFRED WAGNER,

Selectmen, Town of Wilton

A true copy,

Attest:

JAMES M. ORDWAY,  
Constable, Town of Wilton

# Report of Town Manager

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To the Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Wilton:

Once again it becomes my pleasure to give you a report of the past year's activities and to make recommendations for the coming year. The three years I have been your Town Manager have been very short but they have been pleasant and I have tried to make them profitable ones.

Due to the economic condition that exists, not only in Wilton but over the country at large, we should try and hold our appropriations at a minimum and still give you, the citizens, the service you have a right to expect for your tax dollar.

The year 1953 will long be remembered as the year of our Sesquicentennial Celebration and high flood waters. Much credit should be given the various committees who made this celebration possible, even though our facilities were taxed to the utmost, each program was on schedule and not one accident was reported.

Our thanks to K. and H. Foster. Also Bud Fiel and the citizens and merchants for their help and cooperation in the building of our retaining wall, the help and financial assistance of the State Highway Commission is greatly appreciated. They not only furnished an Engineer to check the mixing and pouring of concrete but reimbursed the town in the amount of \$11,687.48 as their share of storm damage and repair.

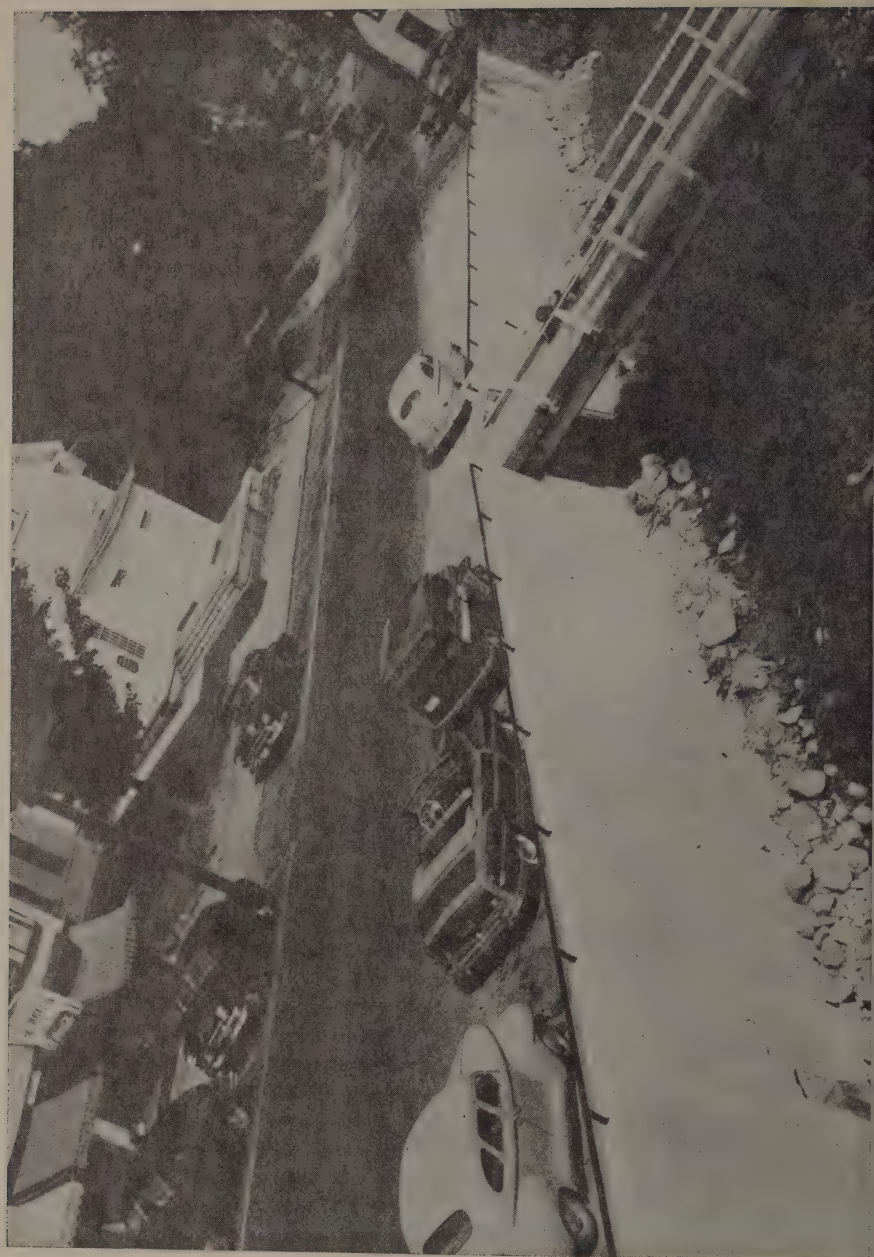
It was with regret that our rural roads had to be neglected until after July when the wall was completed that the Sesquicentennial Celebration could be held on schedule.

Construction voted at the last annual meeting has been carried to completion in so far as time, money and weather has permitted. Any work remaining unfinished and for which we have an unexpended balance will be completed in the early spring.

Much credit should be given your Selectmen, and to those who have worked so loyally to perform the many and sometimes disagreeable tasks necessary that we might all enjoy the various public services to which we are accustomed.

In closing, I wish to thank Mr. Fernald, Mrs. Briggs, the Selectmen and you the citizens, who have made my working with and for you, a pleasure.

JAMES M. ORDWAY



# Report of Assessors

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No. of Polls taxed	902
No. of Polls not taxed	78
Poll Assessment	\$3.00
Rate of Taxation	.092
Value of Real Estate, Resident	\$1,577,595.00
Value of Real Estate, Non-Resident	147,150 00
Total Valuation Real Estate	<u>\$1,724,745 00</u>
Value of Personal Estate, Resident	\$584,405 00
Value of Personal Estate, Non-Resident	21,415 00
Total Valuation, Non-Resident	<u>\$605,820 00</u>
Town Tax	\$206,853 80
County Tax	7,731 18
Overlay	2,533 00
Supplemental	438 98
Tax Commitment	<u>\$217,556 96</u>
Tax Rate .092 x Valuation \$2,330,565	\$214,411 98
902 Polls at \$3.00	2,706 00
Supplemental Tax	438 98
Tax Committed to Collector	<u>\$217,556 96</u>

# Report of Tax Collector

Amount of Tax Commitment June 8, 1953	\$217,117 98	
Supplemental Tax, Real and Personal	294 98	
Supplemental Polls	144 00	
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	\$217,556 96	\$217,556 96
Cash Collections	\$215,837 29	
Abatements	437 40	
Uncollected	1,298 87	
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		\$217,573 56
Over deposited cash to Treasurer		16 60
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		\$217,556 96
Receipts from Excise Tax 1953	\$13,011 95	
Receipts from Excise Tax 1954	2,456 00	
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	\$15,467 95	
Less refunds and Plantation collections	55 56	
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	\$15,412 39	

## LIST OF UNPAID REAL ESTATE TAXES, 1953

### Resident

Allen, Ruth	\$ 16 10
Brown, Heirs of Ida	160 20
Bunker, Richard and Edythe	101 20
Chapman, Kenneth	18 40
Daouse, Eulalia and Charles Kavjas	32 00
Hurd, Guy and Mabel	59 80
**Lakin, Herbert F.	9 20

Marble, Herbert	\$211 60
Riggs, Corinne	42 80
Small, Victor and Julia	85 80
Staples, Bernard	88 57
Wyman, Charles and Myrtle	92 00

**Non-Resident**

Caron, Arsene	18 40
Merry, Albert	73 00
**Smith, Ray	4 60
Tague, Edward	82 80
**Wagner, William	202 40

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\$1,298 87

\*\*Paid after books closed

**ABATEMENTS**

Allen, Earl, pays in Bath	\$ 3 00
Barry, Wilburta, error	36 80
Braddock, George, not here April 1st	3 00
Campbell, Grover, error	3 00
Carter, Raymond, error	9 20
Chiaravalloti, Joseph J., error	4 60
Cook, Kenneth, pays in Farmington	3 00
Cochran, Newton, error	18 40
Dan, Conrad, unknown	3 00
DeRocco, Antonio, error	4 60
Emery, William, pays in Lewiston	3 00
Getchell, Stephen, over valued	46 00
Hiscock, Theresa, error	4 60
Hurd, Roger, error	78 20
Kennedy, Ray, error	2 30
Landry, Rudy, over valued	95 00
LaPlante, Clayton, pays in Dixfield	3 00
Libby, Roscoe, pays in Farmington	3 00
Mosher, George, error	3 00
Neil, Leslie, taxed twice	9 20
Oliver, Robert, pays in Dixfield	3 00
Orcutt, Lester, pays in Weld	2 30
Paine, Blanchard, error	13 80

Pratt, Iva, error	\$13 80
Pratt, Donald, unknown	3 00
Richards, Leo, not here April 1st	3 00
Roy, Everett, pays in Rumford	3 00
Sanborn, Foster, error	18 40
Smith, Ralph, error	2 30
Stevens, Kingston, error	19 10
Taylor, Lewis, hardship	3 00
Tetreault, George, error	9 20
Trask, Durwood, error	2 30
Waldron, Erlon, error	2 30
Watson, Harold, death	3 00
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	\$437 40

# Town of Wilton, Maine

## Financial Report

FISCAL YEAR Feb. 1, 1953 to Jan. 31, 1954

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### Cash Accounts

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	Received	Expended
<b>CURRENT CASH</b>		
Balance on deposit Feb. 1, 1953	\$ 42,252 32	
Receipts	385,437 85	
Warrants paid		\$374,297 49
Balance on deposit Jan. 31, 1954		53,392 68
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Totals	\$427,690 17	\$427,690 17

### CEMETERY CARE SAVINGS ACCOUNT

Balance on deposit Feb. 1, 1953	\$1,333 35	
Interest credited	26 50	
Withdrawn to reimburse Cemetery acct.		\$ 133 15
Balance on deposit Jan. 31, 1954		1,226 70
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Totals	\$1,359 85	\$1,359 85

## Administration Accounts

	Received	Expended
<b>TOWN CHARGES</b>		
Appropriated from Excise Taxes	\$13,000 00	
Received from: W. C. Fowler	175 00	
H. E. Kyes	82 88	
State Treasurer: R. R. Tax	71 22	
State Treasurer: Dog Refund	79 71	
James Armstrong	40 77	
Miscellaneous	71 73	
Warrants paid: Manager's salary		\$4,499 56
Manager's and Selectmen's expenses		1,160 51
Clerical		2,321 66
Office expenses		662 76
Heat, Light, Phone, Water		499 22
Insurance		559 16
Printing		752 71
1953 Audit		300 00
Election expense		157 75
Miscellaneous		957 64
Moderator		25 00
Attorney		200 00
Transferred to Common Schools, and Salaries		208 66
Unexpended closed to Contingent		1,216 68
Totals	\$13,521 31	\$13,521 31

### SELECTMEN'S AND ASSESSORS' SALARIES

Appropriation	\$1,000 00	
Transferred from Town Charges	36 00	
Warrants paid		\$1,036 00
Totals	\$1,036 00	\$1,036 00

	Received	Expended
<b>CONTINGENT FUND</b>		
Unexpended from 1952 account	\$20,864 18	
Received from: Sale of Cemetery lots	315 00	
Licenses	24 00	
Unassessed 1952 poll taxes	21 00	
Sale of Goodspeed land	2,562 71	
Miscellaneous	12 79	
Bank Stock tax	1,386 14	
Warrants paid: Cemetery trust funds		\$ 315 00
Transferred to Kenneth Gifford road		3,200 00
Balances from: Town Charges	1,216 68	
Special Resolve material	16 64	
Birch Street road	1,200 00	
Hydrants	79 35	
Teacher's retirement	9 90	
Overdrafts from: State Aid Construction		132 00
Storm damage		923 73
Fire Department		892 74
Street Lights		29 91
Health Officer		250 00
Town dump		6 95
Aid to Dependent Children		823 49
Abatements		437 40
Interest and Lien fees		234 67
Unappropriated Excise taxes	2,412 39	
Overlay	2,533 00	
Supplementary taxes	438 98	
Balance carried to 1954 account		25,846 90
Totals	<u>\$33,092 76</u>	<u>\$33,092 76</u>

# Highway Department

## STATE ROAD ACCOUNTS

	Received	Expended
STATE HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE		
Appropriation	\$416 80	
Warrants paid		\$416 80
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Totals	\$416 80	\$416 80
STATE AID CONSTRUCTION		
Appropriation	\$2,256 00	
Received from State Treasurer	2,495 09	
Warrants paid: Culverts		\$1,203 88
Payroll		632 84
Trucks		2,402 07
Shovel		462 00
Material		182 30
Overexpended, closed to Contingent	132 00	
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Totals	\$4,883 09	\$4,883 09
TOWN ROAD IMPROVEMENT		
Unexpended from 1952 account	\$ 113 59	
Received from State Treasurer	3,842 71	
Warrants paid: Payroll		\$ 598 62
Shovel		645 50
Culverts		840 30
Trucks		1,860 23
Unexpended carried to 1954 account		11 65
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Totals	\$3,956 30	\$3,956 30
SPECIAL RESOLVE MATERIAL		
Unexpended from 1952 account	\$16 64	
Unexpended closed to Contingent fund		\$16 64
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Totals	\$16 64	\$16 64

## TOWN ROAD MAINTENANCE ACCOUNTS

	Received	Expended
SUMMER HIGHWAY		
Unexpended from 1952 account	\$ 6 43	
Appropriation	10,000 00	
Transfers: Use of equipment	302 73	
Received from: State Treasurer	78 50	
Other towns	174 60	
Wilton	1,305 04	
Wilton citizens	920 51	
Wilton Schools	741 54	
Wilton Academy	256 00	
Others	100 00	
Warrants paid: Payroll		\$6,389 05
Culverts		914 61
Materials		2,448 32
Insurance		283 20
Trucks		232 45
School area		318 54
Fish screen		3 40
Transfers: To storage & repair use of equipment		3,242 45
Unexpended carried to 1954 account		53 33
Totals	<hr/> \$13,885 35	<hr/> \$13,885 35

## WINTER HIGHWAY

Unexpended from 1952 account	\$ 513 51	
Appropriation	17,000 00	
Received from: State Treasurer	1,550 00	
Miscellaneous	6 25	
Warrants paid: Payroll		\$7,182 36
Trucks		543 90
Material		2,135 92
Snow removal		1,456 91
Snow removal material		353 40
Snow removal trucks		125 28
Insurance		137 00

	Received	Expended
Transfers: To Storage & Repair, Use of equipment		\$5,562 42
Unexpended carried to 1954 account		1,572 57
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Totals	\$19,069 76	\$19,069 76

## TARVIA

Unexpended from 1952 account	\$ 78 99	
Appropriation	6,000 00	
Received for tarring driveways	1,058 17	
Transferred from Cemeteries for tarring drives	260 00	
Warrants paid: Payroll		\$ 964 94
Material		5,371 09
Trucks		257 73
Transferred to Storage & Repair, use of Equipment		665 41
Unexpended carried to 1954 account		137 99
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Totals	\$7,397 16	\$7,397 16

## FLOOD REPAIR

Received from: State Treasurer	\$10,000 00	
Miscellaneous	20 10	
Warrants paid: Payroll		\$3,742 53
Culverts		151 05
Trucks		174 52
Materials		9,830 12
Wall repairs		819 36
Miscellaneous		3 45
Wall		3,746 47
Transferred to Storage & Repairs, use of Equipment		1,702 94
Transferred to Storm Damage		1,100 00
Overexpended carried to 1954 account	11,250 34	
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Totals	\$21,270 44	\$21,270 44

	Received	Expended
STORM DAMAGE		
Received from: State Treasurer	\$1,687 48	
Miscellaneous	6 00	
Transferred from Flood Repair	1,100 00	
Warrants paid: Payroll		\$1,959 01
Material		1,044 51
Transferred to Storage & Repair, use of Equipment		713 69
Overexpended, closed to Contingent	923 73	
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Totals	\$3,717 21	\$3,717 21

## TOWN ROAD CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNTS

BIRCH STREET BRANCH ROAD		
Unexpended from 1951 account	\$1,200 00	
Unexpended, closed to Contingent		\$1,200 00
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Totals	\$1,200 00	\$1,200 00

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION		
Unexpended from 1952 account	\$11 49	
Unexpended carried to 1954 account		\$11 49
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Totals	\$11 49	\$11 49

KENNETH GIFFORD ROAD		
Transferred from Contingent by vote of Town Meeting Aug. 1953	\$3,200 00	
Warrants Paid: Payroll		\$ 653 37
Culverts		533 90
Trucks		115 71
Transferred to Storage & Repair, use of Equipment		772 89
Unexpended, carried to 1954 account		1,124 13
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Totals	\$3,200 00	\$3,200 00

## TOWN ROAD SPECIAL ACCOUNTS

	Received	Expended
SIDEWALKS		
Overexpended from 1952 account		\$ 48 30
Received: Income from Fuller Trust	\$682 01	
Warrants Paid: Payroll		68 69
Material		513 59
Transferred to Storage & Repair, use of Equipment		6 75
Unexpended carried to 1954 account		44 68
Totals	\$682 01	\$682 01

## FENDERSON - FERNALD PARKING LOT

Received from: Auction	\$1,821 85	
Insurance refunds	49 72	
Warrants paid: Expense of transfer		\$ 35 90
Insurance refunds		43 93
Auction expense		509 66
1953 taxes		234 60
Unexpended, carried to 1954 account		1,047 48
Totals	\$1,871 57	\$1,871 57

## ROAD EQUIPMENT ACCOUNTS

## ROAD EQUIPMENT

Overexpended from 1952 account		\$8,937 51
Appropriation	\$10,000 00	
Transfer for use of Equipment	687 65	
Warrants paid		1,127 42
Unexpended carried to 1954 account		622 72
Totals	\$10,687 65	\$10,687 65

## STORAGE AND REPAIR

Overexpended from 1952 account		\$ 713 29
Received from: Use of Equipment	\$ 3,199 01	
Transferred for use of Equipment	11,729 69	

	Received	Expended
Warrants paid: Parts		\$8,576 51
Labor		459 86
Garage expense		873 70
Gasoline		3,660 22
Diesel oil		66 49
Fuel oil tax		93 66
Rent of stalls		47 50
Welding		34 51
Freight and express		70 20
Insurance		73 19
Unexpended, carried to 1954 account		259 57
Totals	\$14,928 70	\$14,928 70
TOWN GARAGE		
Overexpended from 1952 account		\$ 502 86
Appropriation	\$5,000 00	
Received from: Refund	19 53	
Warrants paid: Labor		1,584 51
Material		2,294 94
Insurance		167 22
Unexpended, carried to 1954 account		470 00
Totals	\$5,019 53	\$5,019 53

## School Accounts

As the Superintendent's report is fully detailed only skeleton accounts are given here.

COMMON SCHOOLS		
Unexpended from 1952 account	\$ 1,818 10	
Appropriation	53,300 00	
Transferred: Interest on school fund	128 92	
Receipts	29,315 62	

	Received	Expended
Warrants paid		\$82,307 57
Transfers		1,865 54
Unexpended, carried to 1954 account		389 53
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Totals	\$84,562 64	\$84,562 64

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Appropriation	\$150 00	
Warrants paid		\$150 00
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Totals	\$150 00	\$150 00

## REPAIRS EQUIPMENT INSURANCE

Appropriation	\$6,500 00	
Receipts	522 53	
Warrants paid		\$7,277 95
Overexpended, carried to 1954 account	255 42	
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Totals	\$7,277 95	\$7,277 95

## SUPERINTENDENT

Overexpended from 1952 account		\$ 9 45
Appropriation	\$2,250 00	
Warrants paid		2,248 41
Overexpended, carried to 1954 account	7 86	
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Totals	\$2,257 86	\$2,257 86

## SCHOOL BUS

Appropriation	\$6,000 00	
Received sale of old bus	1,000 00	
Warrants paid		\$5,586 73
Unexpended, carried to 1954 account		1,413 27
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Totals	\$7,000 00	\$7,000 00

	Received	Expended
<b>WILTON ACADEMY</b>		
Unexpended from 1952 account	\$21,000 00	
Appropriation	40,000 00	
Received from State Treasurer	13,162 01	
Transferred from Common Schools	1,837 99	
Warrants paid		\$50,500 00
Unexpended, carried to 1954 account		25,500 00
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Totals	\$76,000 00	\$76,000 00

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## Protection

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<b>CIVILIAN DEFENSE</b>		
Unexpended from 1952 account	\$188 70	
Warrants paid		\$100 00
Unexpended, carried to 1954 account		88 70
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Totals	\$188 70	\$188 70

<b>FIRE CHIEF</b>		
Appropriation	\$350 00	
Warrants paid		\$350 00
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Totals	\$350 00	\$350 00

<b>FIRE DEPARTMENT</b>		
Unexpended from 1952 account	\$ 252 89	
Appropriation	5,000 00	
Received from: Jay	46 00	
Livermore	159 00	
Wilton citizens	22 96	
Warrants paid		\$6,302 31
Transferred: Gas used Storage & Repair		71 28
Overexpended, closed to Contingent	892 74	
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Totals	\$6,373 59	\$6,373 59

	Received	Expended
<b>HYDRANTS</b>		
Appropriation	\$2,630 00	
Warrants paid		\$2,550 65
Unexpended, closed to Contingent		79 35
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Totals	\$2,630 00	\$2,630 00
 <b>LAW ENFORCEMENT</b>		
Unexpended from 1952 account	\$ 173 33	
Appropriation	2,500 00	
Received from: Wilton Academy	23 00	
Town of Wilton	11 00	
Warrants paid		\$2,462 74
Unexpended, carried to 1954 account		244 59
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Totals	\$2,707 33	\$2,707 33
 <b>STREET LIGHTS</b>		
Unexpended from 1952 account	\$ 109 85	
Appropriation	3,831 00	
Received from H. E. Kyes	10 16	
Warrants paid: Wilton lights		\$3,738 00
East Dixfield lights		217 92
New Street lights		25 00
Overexpended, closed to Contingent	29 91	
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Totals	\$3,980 92	\$3,980 92

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## Health and Sanitation

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<b>HEALTH OFFICER</b>		
Warrants paid		\$250 00
Overexpended closed to Contingent	\$250 00	
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Totals	\$250 00	\$250 00

	Received	Expended
<b>MEDICAL EXAMINATION OF CHILDREN</b>		
Unexpended from 1952 account	\$ 12 56	
Appropriation	100 00	
Warrants paid		\$20 70
Unexpended carried to 1954 account		91 86
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Totals	\$112 56	\$112 56
 <b>PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE</b>		
Appropriation	\$1,800 00	
Warrants paid		\$1,800 00
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Totals	\$1,800 00	\$1,800 00
 <b>TOWN DUMP</b>		
Unexpended from 1952 account	\$350 05	
Warrants paid		\$357 00
Overexpended closed to Contingent	6 95	
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Totals	\$357 00	\$357 00
 <b>SEWAGE DISPOSAL SURVEY</b>		
Appropriation	\$1,700 00	
Unexpended, carried to 1954 account		\$1,700 00
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Totals	\$1,700 00	\$1,700 00

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## Cemeteries

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<b>EAST WILTON CEMETERY</b>		
Appropriation	\$300 00	
Received from interest on US bonds	62 19	
Warrants paid		\$362 19
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Totals	\$362 19	\$362 19

	Received	Expended
<b>INTERVALE CEMETERY</b>		
Unexpended from 1952 account	\$ 1 53	
Appropriation	200 00	
Received from interest on US bonds	5 00	
Warrants paid		\$204 06
Unexpended, carried to 1954 account		2 49
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Totals	\$206 53	\$206 53
<b>LAKEVIEW AND OTHER CEMETERIES</b>		
Unexpended from 1952 account	\$1,384 42	
Appropriation	1,500 00	
Receipts: Interest on US bonds	601 61	
Care of lots	528 25	
Miscellaneous	10 00	
Transfers: Interest on Savings Accts.	33 53	
Warrants drawn: Wilton		\$2,538 61
East Dixfield		23 50
Transfers: Tar for driveways		260 00
Use of equipment		9 00
Unexpended, carried to 1954 account		1,226 70
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Totals	\$4,057 81	\$4,057 81
<b>MEMORIAL DAY</b>		
Appropriation	\$150 00	
Warrants paid		\$150 00
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Totals	\$150 00	\$150 00

## Charities

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<b>AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN</b>		
Unexpended from 1952 account	\$354 07	
Warrants paid		\$1,177 56
Overexpended, closed to Contingent	823 49	
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Totals	\$1,177 56	\$1,177 56

	Received	Expended
TOWN POOR		
Unexpended from 1952 account	\$ 585 55	
Appropriation	4,000 00	
Received from: Employment of poor	1,556 59	
Settlement of three cases	1,090 59	
Warrants paid		\$7,004 94
Unexpended, carried to 1954 account		227 79
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Totals	\$7,232 73	\$7,232 73
STATE POOR		
Balance due on 1952 account		\$ 169 51
Warrants paid		1,351 41
Received from State Treasurer	\$1,349 85	
Balance due from State	171 07	
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Totals	\$1,520 92	\$1,520 92
NON-RESIDENT POOR		
Balance due on 1952 accounts		\$ 372 33
Warrants paid		1,185 51
Received from: Guardian Case #1	\$962 10	
Oakland	20 23	
Industry	29 37	
Weld	156 00	
Cherryfield	44 20	
Balances due carried to 1954 account		
Guardian Case #1	295 24	
Weld	15 00	
Oakland	35 70	
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Totals	\$1,557 84	\$1,557 84

## Trust Funds

	Received	Expended
Rawson Fuller Sidewalk Fund	\$12,521 29	
Appreciation in book value	3,736 11	
Trust Account #31, Wilton Trust Co.		\$16,257 40
School Fund	1,576 03	
Ministerial School Fund	572 67	
Acknowledgement of Notes by town in 1940		2,148 70
Trusts for Care of Cemetery Lots		
Balance Feb. 1, 1953	27,075 45	
New Trusts: Harry Sandspra	100 00	
Francis Hobbs	100 00	
C. N. Masterman	100 00	
Harold L. Young	50 00	
Barbara Connelly	100 00	
Cyrus Fenderson Jr.	100 00	
Alice Fernald	100 00	
E. H. Morison	300 00	
Hattie McKenney	200 00	
Mrs. D. T. Tracy	150 00	
Nelson Tutty	100 00	
Thurlow Butterfield	100 00	
Earl Harvey	100 00	
Sale of Cemetery lots	315 00	
U. S. Bonds		28,200 00
Savings Account #1311, Depositor's Trust Co.		790 45
Totals	\$47,396 55	\$47,396 55

## Tax Accounts

### PROPERTY AND POLL TAXES

Uncollected taxes of prior years	\$ 764 60
Assessment of 1953	217,556 96

	Received	Expended
Received from Tax Collector	\$215,820 69	
Transferred to Liens	764 60	
Uncollected 1953 Taxes	1,298 87	
Transferred from Abatements	437 40	
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Totals	\$218,321 56	\$218,321 56

## TAX DEEDS

Balance from 1952 account		\$397 44
Received from Millard Pratt	\$397 44	
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Totals	\$397 44	\$397 44

## TAX LIENS

Balance from 1952 account		\$637 20
Transferred from taxes		764 60
Received from: Elmer Crockett	\$ 24 00	
Pauline Craney	41 00	
Chester Crosby	49 20	
William Kenney Jr.	24 60	
Victor & Julia Small	104 85	
Grace Trask	63 60	
Wm. Wagner	183 40	
Chas. & Myrilla Wyman	41 00	
Dorothy Goodspeed	381 80	
Millard Pratt	450 00	
Millard & Iva Pratt	12 60	
Gordon Millett	7 20	
Liens on hand: Heirs of T. Adams	4 20	
Ruth Allen	14 35	
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Totals	\$1,401 80	\$1,401 80

## INTEREST AND TAX LIEN FEES

Received from interest and fees	\$115 33	
Warrants paid: Wilton Trust Co.		\$350 00
Overdraft, closed to Contingent	234 67	
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Totals	\$350 00	\$350 00

	Received	Expended
TOWN OWNED PROPERTY		
Balance from 1952 account		\$27 96
Carried to 1954 account	\$27 96	
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Totals	\$27 96	\$27 96
EXCISE TAXES		
Received from Tax Collector	\$15,467 95	
Warrants paid: Refunds		\$ 9 65
Plantation collections		45 91
Appropriated to Town Charges		13,000 00
Transferred to Contingent		2,412 39
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Totals	\$15,467 95	\$15,467 95
ABATEMENTS		
Abatements allowed		\$437 40
Overdraft closed to Contingent	\$437 40	
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Totals	\$437 40	\$437 40
REVALUATION		
Unexpended from 1952 account	\$3,900 00	
Appropriation	8,000 00	
Warrants paid		\$8,714 64
Unexpended carried to 1954 account		3,185 36
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Totals	\$11,900 00	\$11,900 00
COUNTY TAX		
Appropriation	\$7,731 18	
Warrants paid		\$7,731 18
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	\$7,731 18	\$7,731 18

## Town Debt Accounts

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	Received	Expended
<b>BONDS PAYABLE</b>		
Balance due 2-1-1953	\$66,000 00	
Warrants paid		\$ 7,000 00
Balance due 1-31-1954		59,000 00
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Totals	\$66,000 00	\$66,000 00
 <b>TEMPORARY LOANS</b>		
Received from Wilton Trust Co.	\$60,000 00	
Warrants paid		\$60,000 00
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Totals	\$60,000 00	\$60,000 00
 <b>INTEREST ON SCHOOL BONDS</b>		
Appropriated	\$1,320 00	
Warrants paid		\$1,320 00
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Totals	\$1,320 00	\$1,320 00
 <b>TOWN DEBT</b>		
Balance unpaid 2-1-1953		\$66,000 00
Appropriation	\$ 7,000 00	
Balance unpaid 1-31-1954	59,000 00	
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Totals	\$66,000 00	\$66,000 00
 <b>NOTES PAYABLE</b>		
Balance due 2-1-1953	\$2,148 70	
Balance due 1-31-1954		\$2,148 70
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Totals	\$2,148 70	\$2,148 70

## Unclassified Accounts

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	Received	Expended
LIBRARY		
Appropriation	\$2,250 00	
Received from State Treasurer	90 00	
Warrants paid		\$2,340 00
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Totals	\$2,340 00	\$2,340 00
LIBRARY REPAIRS		
Unexpended from 1952 account	\$ 224 37	
Appropriation	1,000 00	
Warrants paid		\$1,224 37
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Totals	\$1,224 37	\$1,224 37
PUBLIC BUILDINGS		
Overexpended from 1952 account		\$107 17
Received from: Rudy Landry	\$1,200 00	
Fowler's Market	1,167 50	
Blaine Trask, Hall agent	292 00	
H. E. Kyes	98 74	
Victory Oper. Co.	37 70	
Warrants paid: Oil		839 43
Lights		70 69
Material		216 88
Scouts		100 15
Insurance		567 53
Labor		461 46
Office rent		105 00
Water		80 19
Unexpended carried to 1954 account		247 44
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Totals	\$2,795 94	\$2,795 94

	Received	Expended
<b>RECREATION PROGRAM</b>		
Unexpended from 1952 account	\$ 633 17	
Appropriation	2,000 00	
Warrants paid: Payroll		\$1,565 00
Materials		730 43
Insurance		57 57
Unexpended carried to 1954 account		280 17
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Totals	\$2,633 17	\$2,633 17
<b>SESQUICENTENNIAL</b>		
Appropriation	\$500 00	
Received from James W. Armstrong	93 91	
Warrants paid		\$593 91
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Totals	\$593 91	\$593 91
<b>SOCIAL SECURITY</b>		
Balance from 1952 account	\$ 63 84	
Appropriation	700 00	
Receipts withholdings	740 13	
Warrants paid		\$1,457 67
Balance carried to 1954 account		46 30
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Totals	\$1,503 97	\$1,503 97
<b>TEACHER'S RETIREMENT</b>		
Balance from 1952 account	\$ 267 30	
Receipts from withholdings	1,311 80	
Warrants paid		\$1,569 20
Unexpended, closed to Contingent		9 90
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Totals	\$1,579 10	\$1,579 10

# Auditor's Report

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February 8, 1954

Town Manager,  
Selectmen of Wilton,  
Wilton, Maine

Dear Sirs:

Herewith is submitted my 18th report as auditor of the town of Wilton, Maine. Again I compliment the town manager and his clerk on a very well kept set of books for the year.

The citizens of the town should find this year's report most pleasant reading. The town manager, selectmen and other town officers should feel well satisfied with the results of their years labor. Unfortunately two appropriations that should have been included in the 1953 warrant were omitted, which oversight probably will not be repeated for some years. I still think that the appropriation to the interest account should consider the interest on temporary loans, the school fund interest, and the expense of handling the school bonds, as well as the interest on the school bonds. For 1953 this would have amounted to about \$1,800.00, instead of the \$1,320.00 actually appropriated. I know that most careful consideration is being given to 1954 appropriations, so that the good record of 1953 is likely to be repeated.

One of the important articles in this year's warrant concerns the Fuller sidewalk trust. While I think the town would be well advised to employ the Depositor's Trust Co., as successor trustee to the Wilton Trust Co., there are other courses open which should be considered. Also the fact that about \$12,000 of the Cemetery Trust bonds come due in July 1955, emphasizes that we now have substantial trust funds and are steadily receiving more. While undoubtedly a portion of these funds may be, and probably should be retained in US bonds, it might be advisable to put some of this money into a trust fund similar to the Fuller trust, or have the town invest it directly. There are available several good investment trusts or other securities which would give a larger return than US bonds, and furnish a greater degree of protection against the dangers of inflation.

Over the twenty years that the Fuller trust has operated the town reports show receipts of \$10,533.31 in income from the Wilton Trust Co. This is an average of \$526.66 a year, or 4.2% on the original book value of the trust \$12,521.29. The present book value is \$16,257.40, and estimated market value \$17,150.00. Considering commissions and costs the town could expect to receive about \$16,500 if the selectmen choose to terminate the present trust. This is a good record for a trust, but it points out that no trustee can guard against the dangers of inflation. In the same twenty years the cost of living (Bureau of Labor) has gone from 100 to 207, the Dow Jones Industrial Stock average from 100 to 281, dividends paid on stocks from 100 to 474. The 1935 income from the trust would probably have built about twice what the 1953 income did.

#### AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that I have examined the books of the Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Excise Tax Collector, and Town Manager of the Town of Wilton, for the fiscal year February 1, 1953 to January 31, 1954, and find them, in my opinion, an accurate record of the amounts received by the Treasurer, and disbursed in accord with warrants duly signed by the Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor, and School Board. The amounts paid to the Treasurer by the Tax Collector and Excise Collector are in accord with the assessments made, except for the uncollected items stated in the Tax Collector's report. This examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and included such tests of records and other items as was considered necessary to establish the accuracy of the accounts.

In closing, I wish to express my appreciation to the Selectmen, Mr. Ordway, and Mrs. Briggs for the assistance they have given me in making this audit and preparing this report.

Respectfully submitted,

CYRUS F. FERNALD, C. P. A.

## TOWN OF WILTON, MAINE

**Comparative Balance Sheets**

AS OF JANUARY 31

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ASSETS	1954	1953
Current cash	\$53,392 68	\$42,252 32
Cemetery care savings	1,226 70	1,333 35
Flood repair	11,250 34	
Sidewalks		48 30
Road equipment		8,937 51
Storage and Repair		713 29
Town garage		502 86
School repairs	255 42	
Superintendent's salary	7 86	9 45
State poor	171 07	169 51
Non-resident poor	345 94	372 33
Tax liens	18 55	637 20
Tax deeds		397 44
Uncollected taxes	1,298 87	764 60
Town owned property	27 96	27 96
Town debt	59,000 00	66,000 00
Public Buildings		107 17
Trust Account No. 31 Wilton Trust Co.	16,257 40	12,521 29
U. S. Bonds	28,200 00	26,700 00
Savings Accounts	790 45	375 45
Acknowledgement of notes	2,148 70	2,148 70
Total Assets	\$174,391 94	\$164,018 73

LIABILITIES	1954	1953
Contingent fund	\$25,846 90	\$20,864 18
Town Road improvement	11 65	113 59
Special resolve material		16 64
Summer Highway	53 33	6 43
Winter Highway	1,572 57	513 51
Tarvia	137 99	78 99
Birch Street Branch Road		1,200 00
Highway construction	11 49	11 49
Sidewalks	44 68	
Fenderson-Fernald Parking Lot	1,047 48	
Road equipment	622 72	
Storage and Repair	259 57	
Town garage	470 00	
Kenneth Gifford road	1,124 13	
Common Schools	389 53	1,818 10
School bus	1,413 27	
Wilton Academy tuition	25,500 00	21,000 00
Civilian defense	88 70	188 70
Fire department		252 89
Law enforcement	244 59	173 33
Street lights		109 85
Medical examinations	91 86	12 56
Town dump		350 05
Sewage disposal survey	1,700 00	
Intervale Cemetery	2 47	1 56
Lakeview and other Cemeteries	1,226 70	1,384 42
Town poor	227 79	585 55
Aid to dependent children		354 07
Revaluation	3,185 36	3,900 00
Bonds payable	59,000 00	66,000 00
Notes payable	2,148 70	2,148 70

	1954	1953
Public buildings	\$ 247 44	
Recreation	280 17	\$ 633 17
Social security	46 30	63 84
Library repairs		224 37
Teacher's retirement		267 30
Rawson Fuller Sidewalk fund	12,521 29	12,521 29
Appreciation in book value	3,736 11	
School fund	1,576 03	1,576 03
Ministerial school fund	572 67	572 67
Cemetery care trusts	28,990 45	27,075 45
Total Liabilities	<u>\$174,391 94</u>	<u>\$164,018 73</u>

## Finance Committee Report

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The following appropriations are recommended by the Finance Committee:

Common Schools	\$55,350 00
School Repairs	4,500 00
Supt. of Schools	2,200 00
School Committee	150 00
School Bus	1,000 00
Wilton Academy Tuition	35,000 00
Health Nurse	1,800 00
Summer Highway	8,000 00
Tarvia	5,000 00
Winter Highway	14,000 00
State Highway Maintenance	416 80
State Aid Construction	2,388 00
Road Equipment	2,000 00
New Town Garage	5,000 00
Fire Department	5,000 00
Fire Chief	350 00
Hydrant Rental	2,800 00
Public Library	2,350 00
Library Repairs	500 00
Street Lights	4,000 00
Law Enforcement	2,200 00
E. Wilton Cemetery	300 00
Intervale Cemetery	200 00
Other Cemeteries	1,000 00
Memorial Day	150 00
Town Poor	4,000 00
Publicity Bureau	150 00
Recreation	2,000 00
Interest	1,500 00
School Bonds	7,000 00
Social Security	1,000 00
A. D. C.	1,200 00

Town Dump	\$ 300 00
Civilian Defense	200 00
Health Officer	250 00
Abatements	1,000 00
Deferred Appropriation	12,000 00
County Tax (estimated)	7,731 18
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	\$193,985 98
Overlay (estimated)	1,845 52
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	\$195,831 50
Estimated Poll Taxes	\$ 2,400 00
Estimated Excise Tax	15,000 00
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	17,400 00
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Necessary to raise	\$178,431 50
Estimated Valuation	\$2,330,565 00
Estimated Tax Rate	083

Respectfully submitted,

Freedom Rand, Howard E. Kyes, Ralph C. Hall, Donald McKeen,  
Omer Beisaw, Clifford Noyes, Lawrence D. Goodspeed, Fred A.  
Blanchard, C. Francis Egan, Robert M. Edwards, Albert T. Fiel,  
Roland Osgood, Lewis Paine, Earl Harnden, John F. Blanchard.

Finance Committee.

# Report on the Sesqui-centennial Observance

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On March 21, 1953, twenty-two citizens, representing several organizations, met in the Town Manager's Office and organized as a Committee to plan for Wilton's Sesqui-Centennial observance. A General Committee was chosen: Roy P. Gifford, Victor Small, James W. Armstrong, Albert Basiliere, James Ordway, Robert Learned, and Lynn Miller, with Harold Karkos as secretary. James Armstrong served as temporary chairman.

Realizing early the necessity for careful planning, the group decided to hold meetings on Mondays from then on. Any organization in Wilton could send representatives to offer suggestions, to gain information, and to determine the best procedures for handling the multitude of details involved. Following each meeting "of the whole," the General Committee would hold its executive session. This arrangement paid off in a well-scheduled series of activities for the five-day celebration.

Foster Sanborn was prevailed upon to be chairman and James Armstrong treasurer. Lynn Miller was appointed Publicity Director. The numerous committee names indicate the broad scope of preparatory work required for such an outstanding event: General Committee, Religious Observance, Merchants Publicity, Finance, American Legion, American Legion Auxiliary, Protective and Police, Old Timers Parade, Town Decorations, Time Capsule, Tyngtown Museum, Alumni Association Dinner, Strawberry Festival, Fireman's Field Day, Three-Quarter Century, Housing-Information-Registration, Awards and Prizes, Judges, Sesqui-Centennial Baby, Program and Grand Ball, Horse and Ox Pulling, Bicycle Derby, Fireworks, Extension Service Style Show, and Typing. It is regrettable that space does not permit naming all of the groups and individuals that assisted.

Assisted on the outside with advice from the Maine Publicity Bureau and with the broadcasting of several events by Station WLAM, the committees felt that the months devoted to planning and hard

work were more than well matched by the excellent weather that prevailed from Wednesday through Sunday, July 8 to 12.

On the financial side, a balance of \$9.43 was turned over to the Wilton Fire Department after expenditures of \$1,197.30 were made from income totaling \$1,206.73.

Incidentally, the consensus of opinion from within and outside the town was that the Observance was an unqualified success.

The General Committee at its closing meeting declared that the splendid cooperation given by the many organizations and a host of individuals was most excellent. The Committee expressed its appreciation to them all and to Chairman Foster Sanborn for his commendable handling of the duties of his office.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD M. KARKOS, Secretary



SESQUI-CENTENNIAL TIME CAPSULE

# Report of Superintendent of Schools

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To the Superintending School Committee and Citizens of Wilton:

In submitting my fourth annual report of Wilton schools I wish to express again my appreciation for the continued help and support of the School Committee, Town Manager Ordway, other town officers, and school personnel. To maintain an adequate educational program and keep within budget appropriations has meant much study by all.

## PERSONNEL

There were fewer changes this year in the teaching staff. At Wilton Academy Victor Woodbrey replaced Eugene Hunter as physical education instructor and coach when Mr. Hunter resigned to accept a similar position at Bath. Mr. Woodbrey came highly recommended from Falmouth High School, where last year he served as teacher and coach. Mrs. Agnes Allen resigned February 8, because of ill health and Miss Mary Young, who has taught here previously, was secured to replace her in the Language Department. At East Dixfield, following the resignations of Mr. Grover and Mrs. Myers, Eugene Norton, formerly principal at Dixfield, was secured as principal and teacher of the upper grades, and Elizabeth Gill, principal at Frankfort, succeeded Mrs. Myers as teacher of the Primary Grade room. John Kinsman, teacher-coach at Jay Junior High and formerly principal at Litchfield, was added to the staff as supervisor of art in Grades 4-8. Ava Twitchell, teacher at Wilton Primary School, resigned at mid-year because of home duties, and was replaced by Beatrice Hutchinson, former principal at East Dixfield. Mrs. Margaret Pineau, for five years secretary of Union No. 33 has been given an indefinite leave of absence to accompany her husband to Chicago. Her duties at the Superintendent's office have been taken over by Mrs. Ethelyn Ferguson.

Our teachers work hard to enable each child to meet success on his own ability level, they are loyal and conscious of their responsibilities, they are cooperative and willing to initiate any change to promote the effectiveness of teaching, they are doing most commendable work.

School janitors remain the same except at East Wilton, where George Harriman was appointed following Harry Adams' resignation because of ill health. Mr. Adams gave long, faithful service, and constantly contributed much beyond the requirements of his duties. He will be greatly missed.

### ENROLLMENT

Charts showing elementary enrollment as of January, 1954, and anticipated enrollment next fall are given below:

January, 1954

School	JP	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	Total
Primary	42	54	33	44	15					188
Central					42	69	55	58	47	271
East Wilton	10	13	9	11	10	11	13	8	8	93
Dryden	17	20	10	8						55
East Dixfield	4	7	7	6	3	2	4	11	7	51
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	73	94	59	69	70	82	72	77	62	658

### ANTICIPATED ENROLLMENT

September, 1954

School	JP	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	Total
Primary	45	42	54	33						174
Central					52	57	69	55	58	291
East Wilton	12	10	13	9	11	10	11	13	8	97
Dryden	15	17	20	10						62
East Dixfield	5	4	7	7	6	3	2	4	11	49
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	77	73	94	59	69	70	82	72	77	673

While our over-all pupil population does not increase much, we are faced with increases in certain grades, making necessary different grade combinations each year, a fact that causes complaints from parents. There seems to be no way to avoid it. For best results with all the requirements of modern education a teacher should have 25 to 30 pupils. Even if we had funds to employ the number of teachers to effect this desirable situation, we lack room space to do it. Some of our teachers have over 40 pupils, some have 35 or over in two grades; some have a reasonable teaching load.

It will help to equalize the pupil load if we add a teacher to the staff next year at the Primary School, utilizing the activity room, the one remaining possibility for an added classroom. Within a few years, unless enrollment decreases or remains static, which is unlikely, additional classroom space will be imperative. Whether this can be solved by adding rooms at the Primary building, or at Dryden, or construction of a new building is a matter for study. The idea of consolidating all Grades 7 and 8 in a Junior High School might deserve at least some consideration.

### TESTING

The testing program has been carried on and will continue to be. Last year achievement tests were given to some grades, and reading diagnostic and reading achievement to others. Last fall intelligence tests were given to all pupils in all grades 1-8. In April or May achievement tests will again be given to all grades in all schools.

### STANFORD ACHIEVEMENT TEST SUMMARY

#### Testing Program Grades I - VI

#### Showing Grade Level Achievement

Subject	Grade	No. of Wilton Pupils Tested	Grade Level Norm	Grade Level Attained
Paragraph Meaning	6	61	6.8	8.4
	5	73	5.8	6.7
	4	82	4.8	6.0
	3	82	3.8	4.6
	2	69	2.8	3.3
	1	72	1.8	2.1
Word Meaning	6	61	6.8	8.4
	5	73	5.8	6.3
	4	82	4.8	6.0
	3	82	3.8	4.6
	2	69	2.8	3.6
	1	72	1.8	2.2
Spelling	6	61	6.8	7.7
	5	73	5.8	6.3
	4	82	4.8	5.1
	3	82	3.8	3.9
	2	69	2.8	3.2
	1	72	1.8	1.9

Subject	No. of Wilton		Grade Level Norm	Grade Level Attained
	Grade	Pupils Tested		
Language	6	61	6.8	8.2
	5	73	5.8	6.0
	4	82	4.8	5.4
	3	82	3.8	4.6
	2	69	2.8	3.1
	1	72	1.8	2.4
Arithmetic Reasoning	6	61	6.8	8.5
	5	73	5.8	7.0
	4	82	4.8	5.3
	3	82	3.8	4.2
	2	69	2.8	3.3
	1	72	1.8	2.7
Arithmetic Comprehension	6	61	6.8	7.6
	5	73	5.8	6.1
	4	82	4.8	5.3
	3	82	3.8	4.2
Social Studies	6	61	6.8	8.1
	5	73	5.8	6.4
Science	6	61	6.8	8.0
	5	73	5.8	6.9
Studied Skills	6	61	6.8	7.7
	5	73	5.8	6.1
General Class Average	6	61	6.8	7.9
	5	73	5.8	6.5
	4	82	4.8	5.6
	3	82	3.8	4.3
	2	69	2.8	3.2
	1	72	1.8	2.3

### CONVEYANCE

The purchase of a new G.M.C. sixty passenger bus by special appropriation has improved conveyance service. This vehicle is used on the Brown neighborhood run with capacity pupil load, and on the Weld road. The Ford bus now conveys children from around the head of the lake, Dixfield road, Dryden and East Wilton. Joseph Hardy handles the conveyance from his section at East Wilton and Walker Hill. Bertha Karkos serves the few pupils from Macomber Road District, and Dan Perry has the Junior Primary trips as well as eight pupils from the Golf Course area. The number of pupils from Dryden, when all are riding, creates an overload. It may become necessary to allow bus conveyance from Dryden only to those living the greatest distance from the school or to those in primary and intermediate grades. The number from Brown neighborhood, if increased, will likewise create a problem. For the present year, at least, we are apparently giving the best service possible. Some thought has been given to the purchase of a four-wheel drive twenty-passenger vehicle for use on Walker Hill, Macomber Road, Junior Primary routes, and East Wilton. It is a question whether such would be advisable either from the standpoint of economy or efficiency in service.

### REPAIRS

Major repair work this past year has been improvement of the grounds at the Central and Dryden schools, completion of the painting at Dryden, renovation of the dining room and kitchen at the Central School Cafeteria, and installation of new hot-water heating at both Wilton and East Wilton. Considerable work has been done on all boilers to effect changes made necessary by new legislation.

Our chief needs are for an adequate water supply at East Dixfield, a new boiler or extensive repairs at Dryden, and exterior painting at the Central School. Less important needs are for two new ceilings at East Wilton and exterior painting at East Dixfield. The serious situation at East Dixfield relative to water supply warrants action as soon as possible. Twice in as many years the supply from the well has been exhausted, necessitating the closing of school. Only infrequently does the water pass state test for drinking purposes, requiring us to bring water in pails from Mr. Osgood's and use old type coolers. Although there is an ample amount of water in the well at the present time, it does not pass examination. It may be the logical solution is a drilled

well, the cost of which would be most uncertain. However, something should be done before another school year.

The boiler at Dryden has had leaky tubes, and some packing has been done. The fire box is not in the best of condition. A representative from Eastern Oil Co. of Portland reported that more trouble with leaking tubes could be expected periodically, and installation of new tubes is expensive. In the long run, it might be the safer and wiser course to install a new boiler at a cost of around \$2,000. We might, however, make the present system do for another year or so, and hope serious difficulty will not materialize.

### SCHOOL LUNCH

The school lunch program continues to serve adequate, balanced meals. Because of duties elsewhere, Loey Hale, supervisor last year, resigned last fall and was succeeded by Ada Allen. The Central Cafeteria prepares over 300 meals daily for pupils and teachers at the Central School, Primary School, and East Wilton. Surplus foods from the Federal Government have been received in ample quantity, and by engaging space at Cumberland Cold Storage, Portland, we have been in a position to accept frozen foods in as large quantities as allocated to us. Combining this storage service with the Jay program, the cost is small and weekly shipments from Portland to all school kitchens allow us to make use of produce as needed. Cold storage products allocated to us thus far this year for the Wilton program have included over 1300 pounds of hamburg, about 900 pounds of creamery butter, 210 pounds of hoop cheese, and about 200 pounds of cheddar cheese. Shipped direct to our kitchens have been large quantities of canned beef and gravy, tomatoes, tomato paste, dry beans, peanut butter, honey, shortening, cooking oil, packaged yellow cheese, dry milk, canned peaches, dried apricots, grapefruit sections, and orange juice. We have also been able to purchase each year from local canneries through the aid of Vance Wells, a considerable quantity of canned string beans, corn, and apples at reduced prices, all of which help us to serve better meals at low per-pupil cost. The Lion's Club has helped much financially in providing more free meals for needy families. Although the town has appropriated no money for the program, a financial statement is given below showing the receipts and expenditures of the last school year, as audited and approved by the State, and an added statement in brief of the program this year from Sept. 1, 1953 to Jan. 1, 1954. Some pertinent statistical data is also given.

**Wilton Consolidated School Lunch Account**  
**Financial Statement (Sept. 1, 1952 - Sept. 1, 1953)**

**Receipts**

Cash balance at end of 1951-52 program	\$ 265 47
Pupil Lunches	\$11,679 86
Federal Subsidy	3,578 81
All Other Income	1,284 39
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Total Receipts	\$16,808 53

**Expenditures**

Food	\$10,280 26
Labor	4,955 39
All Other Expense	1,297 78
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Total Expenditures	\$16,533 43
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Cash Balance Sept. 1, 1953	\$275 10

**Financial Statement for Sept. 1 - Jan. 1, of this school year**

**Receipts — September 1, 1953 - Jan. 1, 1954**

Cash balance at end of 1952-53 program	\$ 275 10
Total Receipts to Dec. 31, 1953	5,555 83
Subsidy for November, Credited Jan. 4	298 46
Subsidy for December — to be credited	320 81
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Total Receipts	\$6,450 20

**Expenditures**

Total Expenditures to Dec. 31, 1953	\$5,590 10
Bills payable on program to Dec. 31, 1953	842 70
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Total spent and payable	\$6,432 80
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Cash Balance Jan. 1, 1954	\$17 40

### Some Statistics Relative to the Lunch Program

Number of paid 25c (Type A) pupil meals served during the last school year	44,504
Number of free Type A meals given	4,585
Number of paid 5c meals (Type C—milk) served	9,328
Number of free Type C meals given	852
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Total number of meals given — Types A and C — Free and Paid	59,269
Federal Subsidy per meal received last year (Type A)	.0650
Federal Subsidy being paid this year	.0575
Federal Subsidy per meal received last year (Type C)	.0125
Federal Subsidy being paid this year	.0075
Lion's Club contribution to program	\$200.00

### FINANCES AND BUDGET

Examination of the financial statement will show an unexpended balance of \$1,539.52 in school funds, most of which is earmarked for the special new school bus account.

Projection of an educational budget is difficult. Some items may be quite accurately determined, while others involve estimates of costs which may vary.

Maintenance will cost more, due partly to the legislative act establishing a state salary schedule for teachers which we must meet by next September, and the fact that our elementary teachers' salaries are generally lower than in neighboring towns of comparable size. Added to this is the need for another teacher to equalize the teaching load at the Central and Primary Schools. No more state subsidy will be received next December unless the general purpose aid for maintenance is paid in full instead of at about a 5% cut as was paid this last December. The town can expect to receive \$38,000 of which \$23,000 can be transferred to elementary schools.

The sum of \$6500 for repairs, rent, insurance, and equipment, is sufficient for routine demands and will allow some major repair work. However, if such a project as providing a water supply at East Dixfield, or painting the Central School, or installation of a new heating plant at Dryden should be contemplated, the regular amount would be insufficient. Last year ground improvements and cafeteria renovations amounted to over \$2000. These projects plus regular demands ex-

hausted the account. If this account is cut to \$4500 we shall have to curtail drastically and take care only of routine demands.

The Superintendence Account, determined two years ago by the Jay-Wilton Joint Board, includes the amounts set for salary, travel, and office expense. The budget includes \$2200 instead of \$2250 as last year.

Following the Financial Statement, a detailed analysis of budget is shown, giving the actual cost of budgeted items for the past two years, and the estimated need for 1954. Requested appropriations have been approved by the School and Finance Committees.

### CONCLUSION

To enumerate all problems relative to education today would demand much space. One question, nation-wide in its scope, is the evaluation of the newer ideas of pupil progress as compared to former concepts. The newer concept is the endeavor to allow each pupil to progress on his own ability level, rather than permit him to fail as under the older form of mass education. The newer concept places more stress upon and recognition of special aptitudes in individuals, who may possess skills in non-academic subject matter, but have low ability in traditional subjects. Secondary education meets these same problems, and will undoubtedly continue to modify its curriculum to serve the needs of those who are low in academic achievement. There are areas already being studied by educators, as, for instance, methods in reading. On a survey recently made it was found that quite a number of pupils entering 92 Maine High Schools were low in reading ability. High schools and colleges are introducing courses in remedial reading, which is another way of allowing pupils to continue on their own levels of ability. All this is certainly not the fault of today's elementary teachers. The fact is that today almost all pupils go on to high school, which was not true years ago. Today thousands are going on to college, whereas years ago only the selected few were considered college material. The whole concept of education in our modern democratic society is changing and evolving into different patterns of thought, far different from concepts of past years. Needless to say, however, improvements in elementary and secondary methods and offerings can be made, and constructive criticism is always welcomed. The wise course is, I believe, being followed by our teachers — to stress the basic skills needed by all for life and for entrance to higher institutions, and yet place an

honest evaluation upon other areas of specific individual aptitudes, so that each individual pupil may be given credit if he achieves according to his own particular abilities.

Respectfully submitted,

GERALD D. CUSHING.

### PERSONNEL

#### CENTRAL SCHOOL

Teacher	Grade	Local Address
Mr. A. Foster Sanborn	Principal — Grade 8	Wilton, Maine
Miss Blanche Applebee	Grade 7	North Jay, Maine
Mrs. Aurora Gould	Grade 7	Wilton, Maine
Mrs. Dorothy Beedy	Grade 6	East Wilton, Maine
Miss Bernice Green	Grade 6	Wilton, Maine
Mrs. Arlene Harriman	Grade 5	East Wilton, Maine
Mrs. Dora Perkins	Grade 5	Wilton, Maine
Miss Charlotte Pratt	Grade 4	Wilton, Maine

#### PRIMARY SCHOOL

Mrs. Eleanor Mitchell	Principal — Grades 3-4	Farmington, Me.
Mrs. Beatrice Hutchinson	Grades 1-3	East Dixfield, Maine
Mrs. Carrie Scott	Grade 2	Wilton, Maine
Mrs. Lillian Burgess	Grade 1	Wilton, Maine
Mrs. Birdena Mosher	J.P.	Wilton, Maine

#### EAST WILTON

Mr. Walter Webber	Principal — Grades 6-7-8	Farmington, Me.
Mrs. Maude Corey	Grades 4-5	East Wilton, Maine
Mrs. Edna Buchanan	Grades 2-3	East Wilton, Maine
Mrs. Alice Stanley	Grades J.P. - 1	Wilton, Maine

#### DRYDEN

Mrs. Helen Waldron	Principal — Grades 2-3-4	Dryden, Maine
Miss Lucinda Bean	Grades J.P. - 1	Dryden, Maine

## EAST DIXFIELD

Teacher	Grade	Local Address
Mr. Eugene Norton	Principal — Upper Grades	Dixfield, Maine — RFD
Mrs. Elizabeth Gill	Lower Grades	North Jay, Maine

## SPECIAL

Mrs. Leah T. Petersen	Music Supervisor, all Schools	Wilton, Me.
Mr. John Kinsman	Art Supervisor, all Schools	Wilton, Me.

ADMINISTRATIVE, PUPIL TRANSPORTATION, CUSTODIAL  
AND CAFETERIA PERSONNEL

## ADMINISTRATIVE

Superintending School Committee	Mr. C. Francis Egan Mr. Harold Karkos Mr. Floyd Adams	Wilton, Maine Wilton, Maine Dryden, Maine, RFD
Executive Committee of W.A. Trustees	Mr. Roy Gifford Mr. Hubert Ryan Dr. Rowell Orr	Wilton, Maine Wilton, Maine Wilton, Maine
Superintendent of Schs.	Mr. Gerald D. Cushing	Wilton, Maine
School Sec. Union 33	Mrs. Ethelyn Ferguson	Wilton, Maine
Health Nurse	Olive Bonsey, R.N.	Wilton, Maine
Health Officer	Dr. Maynard Colley	Wilton, Maine
Truant Officer	Mr. Mid Brown	Wilton, Maine

## PUPIL TRANSPORTATION

Donald Shea, Supervis.	Brown Neigh. & Weld Rd.	Wilton, Me.
Earl Dyke	E. Dix., Dryden, E. Wilton	Wilton, Me.
Joseph Hardy	Walker Hl., E. Wilton	Farmington, Maine, RFD
Bertha Karkos	Macomber Rd., Munson Hl.	Dryden, Me.
Dan Perry	J.P. Route, Weld Road	Wilton, Maine

## CUSTODIAL

Harry Burrill	Central & Primary Sch.	East Wilton, Me.
Lee Cox	Primary School	Wilton, Maine
Ruth Cox	Primary School	Wilton, Maine
George Harriman	East Wilton	East Wilton, Maine
Stanley Pike	Dryden	Dryden, Maine
Raymond Clark	Wilton Academy	Wilton, Maine

## CAFETERIA

Ada Allen, Supervisor,	Central School	Wilton, Maine
Elem. Program		
Christine Collins	Central School	Wilton, Maine
Florence Pike	Central School	Wilton, Maine
Grace Trask	Central School	Wilton, Maine
Hazel Chaney	East Wilton	East Wilton, Maine
Ida Melendy	Wilton Academy	Wilton, Maine
Althea Babb	Wilton Academy	Wilton, Maine

# Wilton School Department

## Financial Statement

1953

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### ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

#### Receipts

Appropriation	\$53,300 00
Balance (1952)	1,818 10
Interest on School Fund	94 56
Interest on Ministerial Fund	34 36
State Fund	23,678 35
Tuition (Unorganized Territory)	270 00
Tuition, Chesterville	100 00
W.A. and Congo Church (Mileage, gas, oil)	258 60
Primary School	28 00
Girl Scouts (Mileage, gas, oil)	4 45
F.H.A. Club (Mileage, gas, oil)	11 67
Leah Petersen	2 34
Hosmer-Edwards Post	25 67
Recreation Committee (Mileage)	117 25
W.A. Student Council (Mileage, gas, oil)	15 80
E. W. Sunday School (Mileage)	11 20
E. W. Grammar School	25 00
Dolge Co. (Visual Aids)	5 40
Central School	1 21
Dixfield (Pro-Rata Expense)	2,691 32
Jay (Invoice Error)	3 82

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\$82,497 10

**Expenditures**

Instruction	\$54,871 27	
Fuel	4,748 53	
Janitor, Cleaning, Supplies	6,671 29	
Conveyance	8,422 02	
Textbooks	1,403 00	
Supplies	3,819 21	
Tuition	138 81	
Water, Light, Power	1,973 44	
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		\$82,047 57
Unexpended Balance		<hr/>
		\$449 53

**SCHOOL BUS ACCOUNT****Receipts**

Appropriation	\$6,000 00	
Sale of International Bus	1,000 00	
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		\$7,000 00
Expended		5,586 73
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Unexpended Balance		\$1,413 27

**REPAIRS, RENT, INSURANCE, EQUIPMENT****Receipts**

Appropriation	\$6,500 00	
Dixfield	233 95	
Dryden School	8 00	
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		\$6,741 95

**Expenditures**

Repairs	\$3,889 93	
Rent	195 00	
Insurance	2,001 04	
Equipment	911 40	
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		\$6,997 37
Overdraft		<hr/>
		\$255 42

# SPECIAL EDUCATION FOR PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED CHILDREN

## Receipts

Town of Jay	\$200 00
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## Expenditures

Conveyance	\$100 00
Instruction	90 00
P. B. Rawley (Hearing Amplifier)	70 00
	\$260 00
Overdraft	\$60 00

# SUPERINTENDENCE

## Receipts

Appropriation	\$2,250 00
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## Expenditures

Overdraft (1952)	\$ 9 45
Salary and Travel	1,899 56
Office Expense	348 85
	\$2,257 86
Overdraft	\$7 86

# STATE OF MAINE

## Receipts

General Purpose Aid	\$38,278 35
Professional Credits	400 00
	\$38,678 35

## Transfers

To Elementary Schools	\$23,678 35
To Wilton Academy	15,000 00
	\$38,678 35

## RECAPITULATION

Account	Total Receipts	Total Exp.	Balances	Overdraft
Elementary Schools	\$82,497 10	\$82,047 57	\$ 449 53	
School Bus Account	7,000 00	5,586 73	1,413 27	
Rep., Rent, Ins., Equip.	6,741 95	6,997 37		255 42
Handicapped	200 00	260 00		60 00
Superintendence	2,250 00	2,257 86		7 86
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	\$98,689 05	\$97,149 53	\$1,862 80	\$323 28
Net Unexpended		1,539 52		1,539 52
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	\$98,689 05	\$98,689 05	\$1,862 80	\$1,862 80

## BUDGET

1954

Account	Spent in 1952	Spent in 1953	Budget for 1954
Elementary Maintenance			
Instruction	\$50,051 46	\$54,871 27	\$57,000 00
Fuel	5,139 65	4,748 53	4,700 00
Janitor and Cleaning	6,348 50	6,671 29	6,500 00
Conveyance	8,020 08	8,422 02	8,500 00
Textbooks	2,777 38	1,403 00	1,000 00
Supplies	4,858 68	3,819 21	3,000 00
Tuition	339 02	138 81	200 00
Water, Light, Power	2,073 38	1,973 44	2,000 00
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	\$79,608 15	\$82,047 57	\$82,900 00
Credit by Anticipated Receipts			27,550 00
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Needed Town Appropriation			\$55,350 00
Repairs, Rent, Ins., Equip.	\$7,859 90	\$6,997 37	\$4,500 00
Supervision	2,115 35	2,248 41	2,200 00

**SUMMARY OF BUDGET**  
(Elementary)

Account	Raised in 1953	Budget for 1954
Elementary Maintenance	\$53,300 00	\$55,350 00
Rep., Rent, Ins., Equip.	6,500 00	4,500 00
Supervision	2,250 00	2,200 00
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	\$62,050 00	\$62,050 00
Wilton Academy added to Elementary	40,000 00	35,000 00
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	\$102,050 00	\$97,050 00

# Report of the Principal of Wilton Academy

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## To the Superintendent of Schools:

I respectfully submit my ninth report as Principal of Wilton Academy:

### FACULTY

- Harland L. Keay, A.B., Colby College, Principal, Mathematics.  
Leah T. Peterson, Boston University, Skidmore College, Vocal Music.  
Edith C. Kennard, A.B., University of Maine, English, One-Act Play and Year Book.  
Otho F. Knowles, Busch Conservatory of Music, Instrumental Music.  
Mary L. Young, A.B., Colby College, Latin, French, Dramatics and Public Speaking.  
John S. Choate, B.S., Colby College, Science, Assistant Basketball Coach.  
Madelyn E. Buck, A.B., Gorham State Teachers' College, University of Maine, English, One-Act Play, Commencement.  
Ivan H. Crouse, B.S., University of Maine, Agriculture.  
Victor A. Woodbrey, B.S., University of Maine, Physical Education.  
Jascha L. French, B.S., Bates College, Mathematics and Science, Cross Country, Winter Sports, Track.  
Florence E. Greenleaf, B.S., Bliss Business College, University of Maine, Commercial Studies.  
Stanley M. Ferguson, A.B., University of Maine, Social Studies, Football.  
Jane Austin, B.A., Farmington State Teachers' College, Home Economics, Field Hockey, Girls' Basketball, Dean of Girls.  
Loretta G. Henry, Bliss Business College, Wilton Academy Secretary.

## REGISTRATION BY CLASSES

	Boys	Girls	Total
Seniors	23	24	47
Juniors	17	24	41
Sophomores	17	22	39
Freshmen	22	25	47
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## ENROLLMENT BY COURSES

	Classical	Scien- tific	Home Ec.	Agric.	English	Comm.	Total
Boys	4	19	0	29	12	15	79
Girls	29	2	17	0	8	39	95
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Our Curriculum at Wilton Academy is organized around major areas. We believe the purposes of a secondary school to be: 1. Developing as a citizen. 2. Building health and physical strength. 3. Exploring personal abilities and interests. 4. Preparing for an occupation and higher schools of learning. The courses and activities offered have these four objectives primarily as their goal. Besides the studies outlined here we urge every pupil to develop leisure time interests such as (1) some sport or physical activity, (2) some group activity such as music or dramatics, (3) some hobby that can be pursued alone or with the family.

Parents should feel that the important job for their youth right now is education. Everything else should be secondary. In order for schools to do their work more efficiently this "job of education" should be the one dominant force in the home, the school, and in the community. Many problems arise in the school because some students seem to go to school just because it is the popular thing to do with little emphasis on the "job of education" itself.

Some of these major problems such as absence, lack of home study, outside work, too much leisure time, automobiles and moving pictures, become serious when we consider our job, yours and mine, is to develop the proper attitude of youth. Without cooperation between the home and school students develop attitudes injurious to their life work.

A great deal of time is required for education. Besides the important role of preparation for classes there are the extra-curricular

activities after school which definitely help round out a developing personality. Some students are unable to participate in athletics, dramatics, public speaking, and other activities because they either have to work or they haven't been encouraged to do so. We must consider that the "job of education" isn't over at 2:30. The amount of interest your youngsters show in the school reflects the amount of interest you and I show in them.

### SUBJECTS BY COURSES

Classical	Scientific	English
English 1, 2, 3, 4	English 1, 2, 3, 4	English 1, 2, 3, 4
French 1, 2, 3	Algebra 1, 2	Comm. Math 1
Latin 1, 2	Geometry 1	Occupations 1/2
Algebra 1	Trigonometry and	Civics 1/2
Geometry 1	Solid Geometry	World History
U. S. Hist.	French 1, 2, 3	U. S. History
Gen. Science	Biology	U. S. Government
Biology	Chemistry	Sociology
	Physics	Economics
	U. S. Hist.	Home Economics 1
	Mech. Drawing	Agriculture 1
Commercial	Home Economics	Agriculture
English 1, 2, 3, 4	English 1, 2, 3, 4	English 1, 2, 3, 4
Com. Math 1	Home Economics	Agriculture 1, 2, 3, 4
Occupations 1/2	1, 2, 3, 4	Com. Math 1
Civics 1/2	Com. Math 1	Occupations 1/2
Gen. Business 1	Occupations 1/2	Civics 1/2
Stenography 1, 2	Civics 1/2	U. S. History 1
Bookkeeping 1	U. S. History 1	World History 1
Typing 1, 2	Gen. Science 1	Gen. Science 1
Office Practice 1	World History 1	Biology 1
U. S. History 1	Biology 1	

There have been four changes in the personnel of Wilton Academy this year. Victor Woodbrey replaced Eugene Hunter in the physical education department. Mr. Woodbrey coaches basketball and baseball. Due to ill health Mrs. Agnes Allen resigned in February. Miss Mary Young has been engaged to teach foreign languages. Mrs. Loretta Henry replaced Mrs. Carolyn Gage as school secretary. Ray Clark replaced Kenneth Burrill as custodian of buildings. A great deal of repair work has been done by Mr. Clark this year. The floors of

the Home Economics room, hallway, and room 12 were sanded and varnished. A new set of steps was built on the boys' side. Drinking fountains were installed in both locker rooms in the gymnasium. The floors of the locker rooms were painted. These are only a few of the many projects completed by Mr. Clark.

Wilton Academy is very fortunate in being able to secure the services of excellent instructors. The fine spirit of cooperation and loyalty of the entire faculty cannot help but keep our school among the first in the state.

The Boston University Educational tests were administered to the Freshmen early in the winter. The final reports have been received. We invite all parents to go over these tests with us at their convenience.

A class in remedial mathematics was instituted in the fall for Freshmen who are unable to do commercial arithmetic or algebra. Mechanical Drawing was also offered to Juniors and Seniors for the first time in several years.

Our program consists of one activity period each day followed by six periods of academic classes. Each period is fifty minutes in length with forty minutes for lunch. The majority of the classes are not too large which makes for efficient teaching. It is well to note that the present faculty can take care of any future increase in enrollment.

Eighteen members of last year's graduates are enrolled in colleges or institutions of higher learning. This comprises about 40% of the class.

Fifty-six students are taking instrumental lessons from Mr. Knowles. The band and majorettes have performed at several affairs this year.

Mrs. Petersen has developed an excellent chorus composed of ninety-nine members. This group presented a cabaret program in December and now are rehearsing for the Spring Concert and State Music Festival.

The following is a list of our student clubs and activities: Student Council, Future Homemakers, Future Farmers, School Publications, Dramatics, Music, Social Committee, Office Girls, Girls Athletic Association and Traffic Squad.

My sincere thanks go to the Trustees, Superintendent, School Committee and friends of Wilton Academy for their help and support during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

HARLAND L. KEAY, Principal.

## Music Supervisor's Report

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To the Superintendent, Trustees of Wilton Academy, Members of the School Board, and Townspeople:

I submit my annual report:

On May 1st, 1953, the Wilton Academy Band, (60 members) under the splendid direction of Mr. Otho Knowles, presented a novelty program, "A Band Circus", at the Academy gymnasium. This type of performance was thoroughly enjoyed by a large audience.

On May 9th, the band attended the Western Maine Music Festival held in Brunswick, and received a superior rating at their audition.

The band also participated in the Memorial Day exercises in Wilton, North Jay and Rangeley, and gave a half-hour concert program the opening night of the sesquicentennial celebration held at the Academy gymnasium on July 8th. It also played for the "Doll Carriage Parade" at Rangeley on August 9th.

The band also performed at some of the school functions during the past year, as well as at numerous football games, and at all the league basketball games played on the home court. This group also played during the Franklin County Basketball Tournament which was held in the new Jay gymnasium last February.

The band was also one of the participating groups which attended the first Sandy-Andy Massed Band Festival held in the Jay gymnasium, on Sunday, April 3rd.

This year, the band purchased a new bass drum and a bell lyre from proceeds derived from concerts, and "Tag Day" contributions.

Mr. Knowles and the members of the band wish to take this opportunity of saying thanks to all those who cooperated with and supported the band in all its musical activities during the past year.

The Wilton Academy Mixed Chorus presented its annual spring concert on May 6th, at the Academy gymnasium, to an appreciative audience. The chorus was ably assisted by Janice Trask, pianist, and Norman Beisaw, saxophonist, also Mona Knowles and Norma Plaisted, duo-pianists, and Aletha Wells as choral accompanist.

The chorus attended the Western Maine Music Festival at Brunswick on May 9th. Superior rating was awarded this group at the Festival.

On December 12th, the fourth annual cabaret show, "A Journey Through Time", was presented by the mixed chorus, with Norman Beisaw as the genial Master of Ceremony. Mrs. Muriel Armstrong was the accompanist, and Mrs. Mary Vanderhoff, dance instructor. The chorus was featured in songs old and new, interspersed with vocal and dance specialties for added variety.

Plans are now under way for the band and chorus to attend the Sandy-Andy Music Festival which is to be held in Farmington on Sunday, April 4th. These two groups are also planning to attend the Western Maine Music Festival which is to be held in Auburn the early part of May.

In closing, I wish to express my appreciation to all parents, teachers and friends, for their wholehearted cooperation and support given to all our musical activities during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

LEAH T. PETERSEN,

Music Supervisor.

# Wilton Academy

## STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSE

### INCOME

Income on Endowment	\$ 1,157 05
Town of Wilton	45,000 00
Tuition - Non-Residents	1,240 00
Tuition - Music & Band	1,722 00
State of Maine - Academy Aid	
Agriculture	1,688 96
Home Economics	1,407 47
Agriculture - Travel	111 23
Gymnasium Rental	190 00
Miscellaneous	2 14
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$52,518 85</b>

### EXPENSE

Teachers' Salaries	\$38,060 00
Janitors' Salary	2,550 00
Office Salary	1,645 00
Fuel	4,457 69
Electric Light & Power	1,956 70
Janitors' Supplies & Repairs	608 76
Building Repairs	1,845 02
Water	247 00
Insurance	1,253 44
Interest	86 67
Miscellaneous Expense	301 27
Department Expense - Agriculture	216 10
Science	176 78
Commercial	214 90
Home Economics	233 51
Library	120 99
Music	166 39

Office	\$623 36
Physical Education	57 08
Physical Examinations	93 00
Agriculture - Travel	222 46
Textbooks & Supplies	747 68
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TOTAL EXPENSE	\$55,883 80
Capital Expenditures from Current Income	967 71
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	\$56,851 51
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ANNUAL DEFICIT	\$ 4,332 66

#### AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

It is hereby certified that the books, accounts and financial documents of the above named Academy have been examined for the period indicated and found to be in a satisfactory and accurate condition, with proper vouchers on file. It is the opinion of the undersigned that the above Balance Sheet and accompanying Statement of Revenue and Expenditures properly reflect the financial condition of the Academy at June 30, 1953, and the result of operations for the year then ended.

CYRUS F. FERNALD, C. P. A.

Wilton, Maine.

August 12, 1953

# South Franklin County Tuberculosis and Health Association

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The twenty-sixth annual report of this service is submitted to the citizens of Wilton, for the year of 1953.

One of the chief functions of the public health nurse is interpretation. Because of her professional background, and special training in teaching technique and social welfare, she fills the gap between the home, school and community.

To the school she interprets home conditions and cooperation, the physician's findings, the community's resources, and the health aspects of their program. To the home she interprets the school health program, the program of various agencies, and other community resources, the physicians findings and recommendations. To the public she interprets the unmet needs of the community and how action may be stimulated to correct them.

By attending meetings and conferences she gains a knowledge of the resources available, and she has a better understanding of the functions of other agencies, and their cooperation. This year the staff conferences of the public health nurses of District Two have been directed towards a study of the agencies to whom we might turn for aid, or help in understanding the problems of our families. Thus far we have spent a day at Pownal, and had conferences with the Director of Services for the Blind, of the Division of Alcoholic Rehabilitation, the Bureau of Social Welfare, the case worker from the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, and at the December meeting Rabbi David Berent of Lewiston gave an inspiring talk on "Meeting the Need for Spiritual Guidance."

A great deal of interest in Mental Health is manifest throughout the state. Groups have been organized for study and to determine how this need should be approached, and how facilities may be extended. It is recognized that 50% of the people who consult a physician have a mental problem, and it is estimated that half of the other 50% would benefit by some guidance. In speaking of mental health we do not mean that they are insane in the accepted meaning of the word, but that they

have some emotional problem, or personality maladjustment which prevents them from living happily and successfully, and which may lead to disease, eventually.

Our Mental Health Committee visited the psychologist for this district for information about the program offered. They learned that guidance clinics were held in Lewiston, where children may be referred for psychiatric testing for grade placement, or other reason, for clinical treatment for emotional problems, and that an educational program for public health nurses and teachers, to aid them in working with parents and children, and for group meetings with PTA, church groups, clubs, etc., who would acquaint the public with the program, was also available.

The Department of Education asked for the number of retarded children who might benefit from special instruction, and an informal survey was made. This revealed that 150 children in this union were working below their grade level. Nine of these had hearing defects, 16 had vision defects, 60 had some speech defect, and 65 had some emotional or personality problem, which made adjustment to the school program difficult for them. We learned that this was average for other school systems reporting, but it does demonstrate the need for trained assistance.

If a child has an Intelligence Quotient of 100, with no emotional disorders or personality maladjustments, he should do the work of his grade level. If his I. Q. is 110, he should do it easily. If it is 90 he has to make special efforts. In the 80's it is very difficult, but with home cooperation and consideration from the teacher, he can do it. At 75 he is borderline and it is almost impossible for him to do work on his age level, and some allowance must be made for him. If parents and teachers are using pressure to make him do work beyond his native ability, it is easily seen where an emotional problem will arise and a personality defect develop, from which he may never recover. If the child with 110 I. Q., or any other level, comes from a broken home, or one where there is discord, neglect, overindulgence, or where there is conflict between home and school or playmates, the tension can prevent him from doing his best work. Some physical defects create the same problem. His native ability does not change, any more than the color of his eyes, but some environmental conditions underlying his emotional upset can be modified. Efforts are made through the school to learn what difficulties he may have, and if parents are interested, we can refer these children to various clinics. So much is involved between home, school, and community, that there is no easy solution, but facing the problem and

having some understanding of it, can relieve much of the tension, even though some contributing factors can not be eliminated.

Audiometer tests for hearing were done in grades four through eight. We are permitted to refer the hard of hearing to the Waterville clinic, and some parents have accepted this. An attempt was made to interest a retired teacher to take special training in lip reading, but this was not successful. There is a need.

The Services for the Blind have a much broader program than formerly and are interested in some of our vision cases. This includes rehabilitation as well as prevention.

The Department of Special Education for physically Handicapped Children has aided some Children, and others are waiting for special tests to qualify them. This has included transportation, instruction, and the provision of amplifiers for the hard of hearing.

The Services for Crippled Children supervises many of our children who have handicaps. This program, too, is broader than its name indicates.

Dr. Fisher, Director of the Bureau of Health, has stated that the major infectious disease problem in Maine is tuberculosis. Gov. Cross' recent statement that "last year 781 of our people were hospitalized in State sanatoria, 102 died, and 419 new cases reported, with 2,255 recorded as requiring continuing medical observation," should make us realize that it is important for us to control this disease. Tuberculin tests were done in junior, primary and eighth grades. Movies on tuberculosis were shown to the upper grades preceding the tests. X-ray clinics were held in May and November with 19 from Wilton attending. X-rays were offered to the teachers at the County Convention held here in May.

Approximately 250 children were inspected prior to the opening of the recreation program for the summer, and visits to the playground were made during the summer. We have assisted the Girl Scouts with their program of health. Dr. Colley was assisted with three immunization clinics where a total of 132 children attended. Sixteen had three "shots" and were completed, while 19 had only two, and 89 had one, most of these being boosters. Fifty-three were vaccinated. Miss Green and the Girl Scouts again volunteered. Dr. Zikel had the preschool clinics with an attendance of 14, and he also did throat examinations and Central School Basketball team.

In administering an educational and preventive program, and to make it a long term objective, it is most productive carried on through

the schools, however an adult health education program is also important. The association purchased a projector and is prepared to show films to groups. We are particularly interested in neighborhood groups, where there will be opportunity to discuss the subject afterwards. If the group is too large it appears to be accepted as entertainment and there is no carry over.

In the past we have awarded scholarships in health education to teachers. The plan now is to offer an extension course in this subject that more teachers may benefit from the instruction.

A statistical report shows 462 conferences with teachers regarding the children in their care, or their health program, 83 home visits to children, 21 to adults. There were approximately 250 interviews for various reasons.

We have hopes that our Public Relations Committee will form a Health Council and join with the other Councils in this district. Their annual meeting will be in May at East Sumner. Last year two Wilton Academy students were on the program and it is regrettable that Wilton people could not have heard them. A great deal of committee work is necessary if you are to take advantage of the professional services offered by your health association.

Respectfully submitted,

OLIVE BONSEY, R. N., Executive Secretary

SOUTH FRANKLIN COUNTY TUBERCULOSIS AND  
HEALTH ASSOCIATION

# Report of the Health Officer

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*To the Citizens of Wilton:*

During the past year, there have been very few problems related to the public health of this community. There have been no serious outbreaks of infectious or contagious diseases, and in some of the more common children diseases there has been less than the usual number.

Our preschool clinics are really proving themselves worthwhile, for the once dreaded disease of whooping cough, is gradually disappearing and certainly becoming less severe. In many cases the disease is so mild that it is only suspected or missed entirely. This should be encouragement for all parents to make every effort to see that their children get their 'shots', which include diphtheria, tetanus, as well as whooping cough.

Although polio is still a serious threat, the hopes of its control in the near future are bright, and certainly the polio campaign is making rapid advances not only for the treatment, but for the eventual control of the disease. We should make every effort to dispell the idea that our lake or recreation program adds any increased risk, as far as this illness is concerned.

Our school teachers are to be commended for their careful observation of the school children. Surely their alertness for impetigo, scabies, lice, and ringworm and other questionable diseases is improving the health standards in our schools.

Respectfully submitted,

MAYNARD B. COLLEY, M. D.,

Health Officer

## Report of Recreation Committee

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The following is the financial statement of the Recreation Committee for the year ending Jan. 31, 1954. The past year has been the most successful since the town sponsored the recreation program. The summer was warm and clear, with the water in the lake remaining at a high level. Again, the committee expresses their appreciation to the Wilton Woolen Co., and to Oscar Chandler, for putting in and taking out the floats free of charge. \$200 was budgeted for this, which allowed that amount to be used on personnel.

The skating rink was very successful. The weather has continued to be cold with no large snow storms. Attendance was high and was well supervised.

There is a need of a considerable amount of volunteer labor with a program of this nature. It is hoped that there will be more men who will volunteer to serve on the committee and contribute a few hours of their spare time next year. The success of the program depends on this.

Balance from 1952	\$ 633 17
Appropriated 1953	2,000 00

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Total amount available	\$2,633 17
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### EXPENSES

Waterfront	\$596 73
Transportation	428 58
Playground	710 15
Skating rink	612 95
General expenses	4 59

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Total expense	\$2,353 10
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Unexpended balance *	\$280 07
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\* It takes about \$200 of this amount to carry the skating program over until the next Town Meeting.

LAWSON REEVES  
Treasurer

# **Librarian's Report and Treasurer's Report**

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**To the Citizens of the Town of Wilton —**

In making my annual report as Librarian of The Wilton Free Public Library, I wish to thank all those who have donated books and periodicals; also the Tyngtown and Wiltona Clubs for gifts of money and Wilton Woolen Company for the material for draperies they donated to us.

During the summer we were unable to keep our regular schedule as we were forced to close for about two weeks while the building was being redecorated. It certainly improved the appearance of the library and we hope that in the near future, the children's room can be finished. The work already done there has already improved its appearance.

We have added 350 books this year and have discarded 100 old and worn out books.

Our circulation shows a gain of 1,000 books. The school children are using the library more than ever before. Teachers are encouraging them to read more books and practically all grades have book reports regularly.

Respectfully submitted,

IDA MELENDY, Librarian  
Wilton Free Public Library

## WILTON FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

On hand Feb. 1, 1953	\$ 148 01
Town	2,250 00
State Stipend	90 00
Interest	298 14
Tyngtown Club	30 00
Wiltona Club	5 00
Cash, Money Drawer	78 22
Note at Bank	500 00

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 \$3,399 37

Expenditures	
Ida Melendy, Librarian	\$550 00
Freda Durrell, Asst. Librarian	240 00
Izora Wright, cleaning	107 00
Supplies and Postage	100 65
Oil	349 22
Maine Register	12 50
Readers Guide	7 60
Magazines	104 00
Insurance	168 64
Campbell's Book Store	296 63
H. R. Hunting Co.	149 15
Doubleday Publishing Co.	64 25
Wilcox Book Co.	72 76
Imperial Book Co.	64 90
Personal Book Shop	173 84
Lighting	121 92
Lawn and Snow Removal	46 25
Repairs	640 83
On hand	129 23

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 \$3,399 37

IDA MELENDY, Librarian

# Report of Fire Company

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	Number of Fires	Average Labor Cost
Total number	63	
General	8	\$27 81
Chimney	34	4 74
Automobile	1	6 00
Grass	8	7 62
Out of Town	1	23 00
Dump	3	6 67
Forest	2	11 75
Oil Burners	4	5 75
Trailer	2	5 00

## SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND BILLS PAID BY THE SELECTMEN

Payroll tending Red Net Work	\$2,112 10
Firemen's Payroll	572 00
Lights	127 45
Labor and Material	2,158 69
East Wilton	65 17
Phone	271 77
Insurance	726 10
Express	1 13
Fuel Oil	267 90
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	\$6,302 31

## Receipts

Balance from 1952	\$ 252 89
Appropriation	5,000 00
Town of Jay	46 00
Main Street Garage	2 00
K. and H. Foster	10 16

Norrwock Shoe Co.	\$ 10 80
Town of Livermore	159 00
Town gasoline	71 28

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 \$5,480 85

Over expended

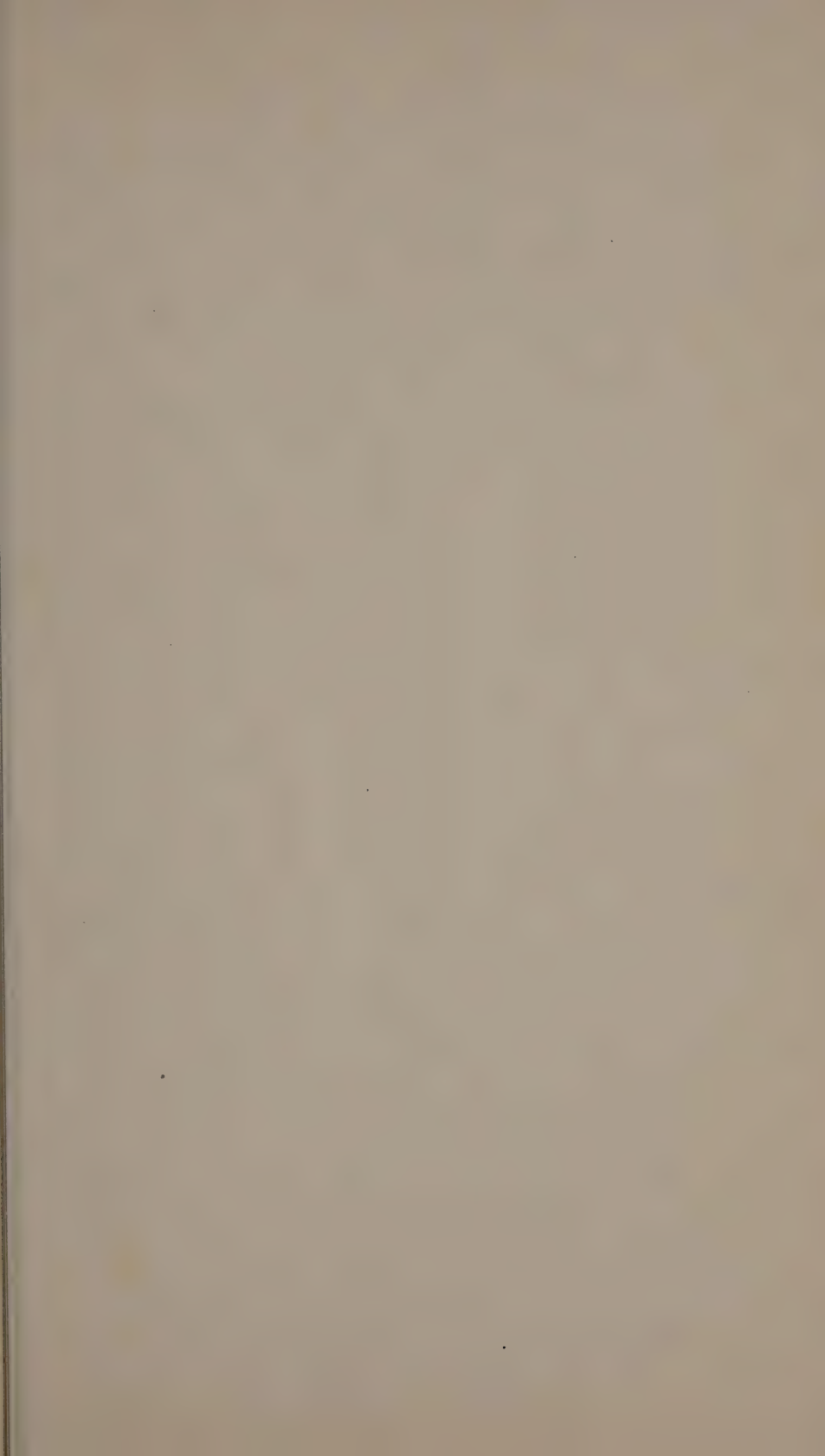
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 \$892 74

## INVENTORY

- 1 1948 Ford F6-600 Gallon Tank Truck, equipped with Fog, Wet-water and Foam
- 1 1946 F V8 500 Gallon Triple Combination Pumper
- 1 1941 American LaFrance, 500 Gallon Triple Combination Pumper
- 1 1931 Ford Model A equipped for chimney, grass fires and general service
- 1 Edward Forestry Pump
- 2 Pacific Forestry Pumps
- 1 Model 12 Alfco 1250 watt Generator with two 500 w Flood lights and one 250 w Spot Light
- 3,650 ft. 2½" Double Jacket Hose
- 2,000 ft. 1½" Double Jacket Hose
- 1,200 ft. 1½" Single Jacket Hose
- 400 ft. Garden Hose
- 100 ft. Single Ladders
- 20 Indian Pump Tanks
- 5 Soda and Acid Extinguishers
- 2 Foamite Extinguishers
- 1 3 lb. CO-2 Extinguisher
- 1 20 lb. Ansul Extinguisher
- 50 lbs. Chimney Chemical
- 1 Combination Inhalator and Resuscitator with four cylinders of oxygen
- 2 Scott Air-Pak Breathing Apparatus with four compressed air tanks
- 5 Gallons Foam
- 15 Gallons Wet Water
- 1 Mechanical Foam Unit 5 Gallons from Booster

The over expenditure of \$892.74 was due to decorating for Sesqui-centennial and repairing roof.









# TOWN of *Wilton*



## ANNUAL REPORT

Year Ending January 31

1955

The cover of this report is a picture of beautiful Wilson Lake, situated in the heart of Wilton, Maine. For a three months' period during midsummer, a supervised, recreational program is carried on which includes life saving, swimming and a playground for the younger children. Approximately one hundred and fifty children are enrolled in this program with the school buses transporting those from the rural areas. Much credit should be given the Recreation Committee and instructors for a job well done and one of which we are justly proud.

# ANNUAL REPORT

of the

# Town of Wilton

Year Ending

January 31, 1955

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The Knowlton & McLeary Co., Printers  
Farmington, Maine  
1955

## IMPORTANT

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All Taxpayers should read the following and comply with it, Section 35, Chapter 81, Revised Statutes of Maine, 1944:

Before making an assessment, the Assessors shall give Reasonable Notice in writing to the Inhabitants by posting notifications in some public place in Town, or shall notify them, in such other ways as the Town at its Annual Meeting directs, to make and bring in to them true and perfect lists of their polls and all their estates, real and personal, not by law exempt from taxation, of which they were possessed on the first day of April of the same year. If any resident owner after being reasonably requested thereto by the Assessors, does not bring in such lists, he is thereby barred of his right to make application to the Assessors or the County Commissioners for any abatement of his taxes, unless he offers such list with his application and satisfies them that he was unable to offer it at the time appointed. The request upon non-resident owners may be proved by a notice sent by mail directed to the last known address of the Taxpayer or given by any other method that brings notice home to the Taxpayer.

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**KEEP  
MAINE  
GREEN**

**Smokey says**

**"WE WANT OUR TOWN TO THRIVE  
WE'LL HAVE NO FOREST FIRES IN '55"**

# TOWN OFFICERS

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## *Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of Poor*

AARON F. PARKER

WILFRED WAGNER

GEORGE H. BASS II

VERNON A. SMILEY

LYLE HALL

## *Town Manager*

### *Treasurer*

### *Road Commissioner*

### *Purchasing Agent*

### *Tax Collector*

### *Excise Tax Collector*

JAMES M. ORDWAY

## *Town Clerk*

HOWARD E. KYES

## *Superintending School Committee*

KENNETH H. FOSTER

FLOYD ADAMS

HAROLD M. KARKOS

## *Health Officer*

MAYNARD B. COLLEY, M. D.

## *Moderator*

CALVIN B. SEWALL

## *Fire Chief*

RAYMOND WHITNEY

## *Assistant Fire Chiefs*

LESTER LOTHROP

HOWARD YEATON

## *Constables*

JAMES M. ORDWAY

EARLE DYKE

HARLAND HUTCHINSON

RAYMOND HOLT

VICTOR SMALL

*Hall Agent*  
BLAINE TRASK

*Community Building Custodian*  
ROBERT E. WOOD

*Public Weighers*  
J. WALDRON MARBLE VANCE WELLS

*Truant Officer*  
MID W. BROWN

*Surveyor of Wood, Bark and Lumber*  
MOTT SEARLES

*Fence Viewers*  
EARL HARNDEN CLIFFORD NOYES FREEDOM RAND

*Sealers of Weights and Measures*  
RICHARD SHOREY

*Building Inspector*  
ALBERT T. FIEL

*Chimney Inspector*  
ROBERT E. WOOD

*Sextons*  
ARTHUR ROWE CHARLES W. BUTTERFIELD  
W. W. ADAMS

*Finance Committee*

FREEDOM L. RAND	HOWARD E. KYES
RALPH C. HALL	DONALD McKEEN
OMER BEISAW	CLIFFORD NOYES
LAURENCE D. GOODSPEED	FRED A. BLANCHARD
C. FRANCIS EGAN	ROBERT M. EDWARDS
ALBERT T. FIEL	ROLAND S. OSGOOD
LEWIS W. PAINE	EARL HARNDEN
JOHN F. BLANCHARD	HAROLD L. YOUNG
HARRY L. STANSFIELD	CHARLES SWETT
ROY P. GIFFORD	LINWOOD ROLFE

# Warrant for Annual Town Meeting

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*To James M. Ordway, a Constable of the Town of Wilton, in the County of Franklin and State of Maine, or any other Constable in said Town,* **GREETING:**

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the Town of Wilton, in said County, to meet at the Wilton Town Hall in said Town, on Monday, the seventh day of March, A. D. 1955, at eight o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, to wit:

## **Article 1**

To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

## **Article 2**

To choose by ballot the following officers for the ensuing year in accordance with Sections 46 to 60 inclusive of Chapter 80, Me. R. S. 1944 as amended: Town Clerk, Five Selectmen, Five Assessors, Five Overseers of the Poor, Member of School Board for three years. The polls or ballot boxes for receiving ballots for the above mentioned officers shall be closed at 12:30 P. M.

## **Article 3**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Superintending School Committee to make a contract with, and pay the Trustees of Wilton Academy for the tuition of the Town's scholars qualified to attend such school, in accordance with Section 96 of Chapter 37, Me. R. S. 1944 as amended.

## **Article 4**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the formation of a joint committee to consist of the Superintending School Committee and an equal number of the Trustees of Wilton Academy, said joint committee to be empowered to select and employ the teachers for the Academy, to fix salaries, to arrange the courses of study and to supervise

the instruction, and to formulate and enforce proper regulations pertaining to other educational activities of the school, as provided in Section 96 of Chapter 37, Me. R. S. 1944.

#### Article 5

To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to adopt forthwith Chapter 91, Sections 124 through 129 of the Maine 1954 Revised Statutes, being the Act which authorized Municipalities to establish, maintain, conduct and finance recreational facilities.

#### Article 6

To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to appoint the necessary personnel for conducting and administering said recreational program.

#### Article 7

To see how taxes shall be collected and when made payable for the ensuing year.

1954: Poll taxes due May 1st.

Personal property, Sept. 1st.

Real Estate, December 15th.

Recommended: Poll taxes  
due May 1st. Personal

property, Sept. 1st. Real  
Estate, December 15th.

#### Article 8

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the Town, to sell and dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town for non-payment of taxes thereon, on such terms as they deem advisable and to execute quit claim deeds for such property.

#### Article 9

To see if the Town will vote to instruct its Treasurer with the consent and approval of the Selectmen to borrow sufficient money to pay the running expenses of the Town for the period between the closing of the books February 1, 1956 and the annual meeting in March 1956.

#### Article 10

To see if the Town will vote to authorize its Treasurer to make temporary loans to be approved by the Selectmen and not to exceed the total tax levy of the preceding Municipal year in which they are

made, said money to be paid out of money raised by taxes during the current year in which said loans are made, in accordance with the provisions of Section 96 of Chapter 80, Me. R. S. 1944.

#### Article 11

To see if the Town will vote to elect or appoint a Finance Committee.

#### Article 12

To see if the Town will vote to re-appropriate unexpended balances in the following accounts, or some of them, to the respective account for the current year:

Winter Highway	\$ 25 46
Tarvia	35 75
New Construction	96 86
Road Equipment	936 37
Town Garage	221 44
Common Schools	1,546 42
Superintendent of Schools	2 22
Wilton Academy Tuition	25,500 00
School Bus	2,212 29
Medical Examinations	51 86
Sewage Survey	1,700 00
East Wilton Cemetery	30 00
Intervale Cemetery	2 50
Social Security	43 87
Recreation	584 98

#### Article 13

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 or any part thereof for Road Equipment.

1954 appropriation \$2,000.00	Recommended \$2,000.00
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#### Article 14

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of Common Schools for the ensuing year.

1954 appropriation \$55,350.00	Recommended \$53,300.00
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#### Article 15

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for school appliances, repairs, playgrounds and insurance on the school buildings for the ensuing year.

1954 appropriation \$4,500.00	Recommended \$6,000.00
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**Article 16**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Superintendency of the Public Schools for the ensuing year.

1954 appropriation \$2,200.00                      Recommended \$2,200.00

**Article 17**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to pay the members of the Superintending School Committee.

1954 appropriation \$150.00                      Recommended \$150.00

**Article 18**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for tuition of its scholars attending Wilton Academy.

1954 appropriation \$35,000.00                      Recommended \$32,000.00

**Article 19**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the services of a Public Health Nurse.

1954 appropriation \$1,800.00                      Recommended \$1,800.00

**Article 20**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for summer maintenance of Roads and Bridges.

1954 appropriation \$8,000.00                      Recommended \$8,000.00

**Article 21**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for winter maintenance of Roads and Bridges.

1954 appropriation \$14,000.00                      Recommended \$14,000.00

**Article 22**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for State Aid Road Construction (in addition to amounts raised for ways and bridges under other articles in this warrant) under the provisions of Sections 44 and 49 of Chapter 23, Me. R. S. 1954 as amended.

1954 appropriation \$2,388.00                      Recommended \$2,388.00

**Article 23**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for maintenance of snow removal on State Highways under Section 79 of Chapter 23, Me. R. S. 1954 as amended.

1954 appropriation \$416.80                      Recommended \$416.80

**Article 24**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Tarvia to be applied to the streets and highways of the Town.

1954 appropriation \$5,000.00                      Recommended \$5,000.00

**Article 25**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Wilton Free Public Library Association.

1954 appropriation \$2,350.00                      Recommended \$2,450.00

**Article 26**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for observance of Memorial Day to be expended by Hosmer-Edwards Post No. 117, the American Legion.

1954 appropriation \$150.00                      Recommended \$150.00

**Article 27**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for maintenance of a Fire Department for the ensuing year.

1954 appropriation \$5,000.00                      Recommended \$6,000.00

**Article 28**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to be paid to the Chief of the Wilton Fire Department in addition to his regular pay for attending fires.

1954 appropriation \$350.00                      Recommended \$350.00

**Article 29**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the care and upkeep of the East Wilton Cemetery, said money to be spent under the direction of the East Wilton Cemetery Association.

1954 appropriation \$300.00                      Recommended \$300.00

**Article 30**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the care and upkeep of the Intervale Cemetery.

1954 appropriation \$200.00 Recommended \$200.00

**Article 31**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the care and upkeep of other cemeteries in the Town of Wilton.

1954 appropriation \$1,000.00 Recommended \$1,500.00

**Article 32**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to be paid to the State of Maine Publicity Bureau to be spent as provided by Section 108, of Chapter 91, Me. R. S. 1954.

1954 appropriation \$150.00 Recommended \$150.00

**Article 33**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of Town Poor for the ensuing year.

1954 appropriation \$4,000.00 Recommended \$5,000.00

**Article 34**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to be expended for recreational purposes as authorized under Articles 5 and 6 of this Warrant.

1954 appropriation \$2,000.00 Recommended \$1,500.00

**Article 35**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for payment of interest for the ensuing year.

1954 appropriation \$1,500.00 Recommended \$1,450.00

**Article 36**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for retirement of School Bonds.

1954 appropriation \$7,000.00 Recommended \$7,000.00

**Article 37**

To see what salary and allowance for expenses, the Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor shall be paid from the Town Charges account.

1954 appropriation	\$1,200.00	Recommended	\$1,200.00
Salary	\$800.00	Salary	\$800.00
Expense	400.00	Expense	400.00

**Article 38**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Law Enforcement.

1954 appropriation	\$2,200.00	Recommended	\$2,200.00
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**Article 39**

To see if the Town will vote to defray Town Charges from Excise Tax receipts.

Recommended Yes

**Article 40**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to appropriate from the Excise Tax account to defray Town Charges.

1954 appropriation	\$13,000.00	Recommended	\$13,000.00
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**Article 41**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,500.00 or any part thereof, for completion of the Town Garage.

Recommended \$3,750.00

**Article 42**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from which payments shall be made to the Maine State Retirement System so that Town employees shall be covered under the provisions of the Social Security Act.

1954 appropriation	\$1,000.00	Recommended	\$1,000.00
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**Article 43**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for buying or trading School Busses.

1954 appropriation	\$1,000.00	Recommended	\$1,000.00
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**Article 44**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 or any part thereof, for painting Central School, with the provision that any unexpended balance will revert to the Repairs and Insurance account.

Recommended \$2,500.00

**Article 45**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 or any part thereof, to cooperate with the Maine Forest Service and the Federal Government in control of White Pine Blister Rust, in accordance with Revised Statutes 1954, Chap. 36, Sec. 69.

**Article 46**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to light the streets of Wilton, East Wilton, Dryden and East Dixfield.

1954 appropriation \$4,063.00

Recommended \$4,200.00

**Article 47**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for hydrant service for the ensuing year.

1954 appropriation \$2,800.00

Recommended \$2,800.00

**Article 48**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for payments of the Town's share of the cost of Aid to Dependent Children.

Recommended \$1,200.00

**Article 49**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Tax Abatements.

Recommended \$300.00

**Article 50**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for maintenance of the Town Dump.

Recommended \$300.00

**Article 51**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for maintenance of the Fish Screen.

Recommended \$300.00

**Article 52**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Civilian Defense.

Recommended \$300.00

**Article 53**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 or any part thereof for New Construction from Excise Taxes.

1954 appropriation \$2,000.00 Recommended \$1,500.00

**Article 54**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the services of a Health Officer.

Recommended \$250.00

**Article 55**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Immunizations in the Elementary Schools.

Recommended \$100.00

**Article 56**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the maintenance of the Scout Hall.

Recommended \$500.00

**Article 57**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the completion of the Fenderson-Fernald Memorial Parking Lot.

Recommended \$2,000.00

**Article 58**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the unexpended balance of \$1,124.13 from Kenneth Gifford Road to Webb Avenue.

Recommended Yes

**Article 59**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to be expended and used for advertising the natural resources, advantages and attractions of the Town of Wilton.

Recommended \$500.00

**Article 60**

To see if the Town will vote to build a bridge across the foot of Wilson Lake.

**Article 60A**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to be expended for the purposes of Article 60.

Recommended \$1,000.00 Foot bridge

**Article 61**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 or any part thereof, to improve Walker Hill, East Wilton from Four Corners, so called, to top of hill.

No Recommendation

**Article 62**

To see what sums of money if any, the Town will raise and appropriate to repair the road leading from the Temple Town Line to the residence of Clinton Savage.

No Recommendation

**Article 63**

To see if the Town will vote to accept a Town Way, as laid out by the Selectmen, the road known as Canal Street in Wilton Village, leading from High Street to the park given to the Town by G. H. Bass & Co.

No Recommendation

**Article 64**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to improve the road running from the residence of Earle Brown Jr. on the Cemetery Road in East Wilton, to the point just beyond the residence of Harry E. Trask Sr. where this road intersects with the so called back road from Dryden to Beans Corner.

No Recommendation

**Article 65**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to improve Depot Street beginning at Wilton Academy and extending to the railroad crossing.

No Recommendation

**Article 66**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purpose of installing a culvert and improving a section of the Hardy Road, so called, beginning at a point near the residence of Percy Wyman and extending to a point beyond the brook, a total distance of approximately eight hundred feet.

No Recommendation

**Article 67**

To see if the Town will vote to accept a town way as laid out by the Selectmen beginning at a point on the westerly side of the street leading from Oscar Thompson's to the Jay Town Line, westerly along a right of way as now laid out to the land of Linwood Floyd.

No Recommendation

**Article 68**

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to construct the town way above described in Article 67.

No Recommendation

**Article 69**

To see if the Town will vote to install and maintain a street light in Hinkleyville, so called, near the residence of Clayton Buker.

Recommendation: Passed by

**Article 70**

To see if the Town will vote to install and maintain a street light on Webb Avenue, so called.

Recommendation: Passed by

**Article 71**

To see if the Town will vote to install and maintain a street light near the residence of John Farrington in Dryden.

Recommendation: Passed by

**Article 72**

To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the road from the residence of Hazen Mayo westerly to the end of way as now laid out.

Recommendation: Subject to Gates and Bars

**Article 73**

To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the road leading from the Walker Hill Road, East Wilton, westerly to the old Brown Farm, so called.

Recommendation: Subject to Gates and Bars

**Article 74**

To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the road from the East Wilton Cemetery southerly to McCrillis Corner, so called.

No Recommendation

**Article 75**

To see if the Town will vote to discontinue from road known as S. A. #7 in a northwesterly direction past the residence of Vernon Martin; thence northeasterly past the residence of Thurlow Hall to the Farmington Town Line.

Recommendation: Subject to Gates and Bars

**Article 76**

To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the road from the residence of Walter Jewell northeasterly to the Temple Town Line.

Recommendation: Subject to Gates and Bars

**Article 77**

To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the road from Route #2 northerly to end of way known as Kenneth Gifford Road.

Recommendation: Subject to Gates and Bars

**Article 78**

To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the road from Fred Blanchard's farm on Tobin Flat west to the Lidstone Farm.

Recommendation: Subject to Gates and Bars

### Article 79

To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the road from Leavitt Newman's homestead, so called, west to end of town way.

Recommendation: Subject to Gates and Bars

### Article 80

To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the road from Tobin Flat Road, so called, southwest to Tony DeRocco's Camp.

Recommendation: Subject to Gates and Bars

### Article 81

To see if the Town will vote to adopt a building ordinance substantially as follows:

#### BUILDING ORDINANCE FOR THE TOWN OF WILTON

No building, wall or structure in the town of Wilton shall hereafter be built, enlarged or altered until a statement or plan of the proposed work shall have been submitted to the Building Inspector for the Town of Wilton, or such other person as may be designated by the Board of Selectmen of Wilton, to act in such capacity for the Town. The Building Inspector shall issue a permit for the proposed construction if the proposed work will not seriously increase the hazard of fire in the Town.

This ordinance shall not apply to buildings or alterations involving expense of less than \$100.00. There shall be no charge for the permits above mentioned.

The building inspector shall be authorized to inspect work in progress to see that it complies substantially with the statement or plan for which permit has been issued. He shall report annually to the Selectmen regarding permits issued and any other matters relating to fire prevention. Appeal shall lie from any of his decisions to the Board of Selectmen, and from the Board of Selectmen to the Superior Court, in the manner provided by statute.

The penalty for breach of this ordinance shall not exceed \$10.00 for one offense, to be recovered by complaint to the use of the Town of Wilton.

The Selectmen give notice that they will be in session at the Town Office in Wilton on Saturday, March 5th, 1955, to hear and decide upon the application of persons claiming a right to vote.

Given under our hands this 15th day of February, A. D. 1955.

AARON PARKER,  
WILFRED WAGNER,  
GEORGE H. BASS II,  
V. A. SMILEY,  
T. LYLE HALL,

*Selectmen, Town of Wilton*

A true copy,

Attest:

JAMES M. ORDWAY,  
*Constable, Town of Wilton*

# Report of Town Manager

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Once again it becomes my pleasure to report the past year's activities and make recommendations for the coming year.

The past year, due to unforeseen circumstances, has been rather discouraging from the Municipal viewpoint. Not only did we have a very rainy summer which curtailed our regular road maintenance but at late fall we had three of the worst hurricanes ever known in the State of Maine.

Credit should be given the Maine Civil Defense Administration, also the State of Maine for all the financial assistance they have given us in the repair of hurricane damage. I am sure it is appreciated by all.

During the year we have installed metal culverts in the amount of \$5,199.88 on our town roads. A reverse curve was built on the Philip Magrath road, eliminating a rather abrupt turn.

Stony Brook Hill was rebuilt plus many other small projects which will be a great help in snow removal. In early spring, two thousand yards of pit run gravel was crushed and put on numerous town roads which is proving very beneficial.

If releases can be obtained from all abutters, High Street will be rebuilt this coming summer to eliminate a bad water situation that now exists, that is to cut the top of the hill and carry a gradual grade to the entrance of School St. It is also planned to base, surface and tar the Munson Road beginning at the Academy Road and continuing past Frary's Mill to the railroad crossing.

We will have available this coming year \$5,478.99 of Town Road Improvement moneys. The expenditures of this fund must not exceed \$3,000.00 in any one mile, and the law specifies that Towns shall furnish all local road material, including rocks, sand, gravel, etc. and shall assume and pay any cost or damages arising from any change in location, grade or drainage. It is hoped a portion of this money can be used where special moneys are asked for.

This past year we have had four large overdrafts: namely Town Poor, Aid to Dependent Children, Revaluation and Fire Department. The first was caused by supplemental aid given to old people who had to be placed in rest homes. Aid to Dependent Children is assistance granted by the State and Federal Government for the care of children whose homes have been broken up by separation or death. This assistance is made direct by the State and the town is billed for 18% which this past year amounted to \$1,044.90. The appropriation for this account was left out of last year's warrant by mistake.

The overdraft in the Fire Department was caused by cost of the Red Network. Proper provision is being made this year in the hopes of evading any overdrafts in the coming year. Due to these overdrafts, our Contingent fund which is in reality an unappropriated surplus was reduced from \$25,846.90 to \$25,721.74, or \$125.16 less than last year.

I sincerely appreciate the help and cooperation of the Selectmen, my fellow employees and you the citizens, for your loyal support.

JAMES M. ORDWAY,  
*Town Manager*



The above is a picture of the Rock Products Portable Crusher of Portland, Maine. In early spring this crusher was placed in our Town pit and crushed 2,000 yards of bank run gravel to a  $1\frac{1}{2}$  minus size. This material was used on numerous roads and streets and proved very beneficial. The State Highway Commission is planning to set a portable crusher into the Purington Pit in early spring to prepare material for the construction of alternate Route 2. If present plans materialize it is hoped Wilton can have a substantial amount crushed by them for town use in 1955.

# Report of Assessors

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Number of polls taxed	873
Number of polls not taxed	65
Poll assessment	\$3.00
Rate of taxation	.035
Value of Real Estate, Resident	\$3,737,460 00
Value of Real Estate, Non-Resident	245,165 00
Total Valuation Real Estate	\$3,982,625 00
Value of Personal Estate, Resident	\$1,398,684 00
Value of Personal Estate, Non-Resident	115,755 00
Total Valuation, Non-Resident	\$1,514,439 00
Town Tax	\$186,167 80
County Tax	7,731 18
Overlay	1,117 35
Supplemental	330 71
Tax Commitment	\$195,347 04
Tax Rate .035 x Valuation \$5,497,068.90	\$192,397 33
873 Polls at \$3.00	2,619 00
Supplemental Tax	330 71
Tax Committed to Collector	\$195,347 04

AARON PARKER,  
GEORGE H. BASS II,  
WILFRED WAGNER,  
VERNON SMILEY,  
LYLE HALL,

*Assessors of Wilton.*

# Report of Tax Collector

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Amount of Tax Commitment, June 21, 1954	\$195,016 24
Supplemental Tax, Real and Personal	180 71
Supplemental Polls	150 00
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	\$195,346 95

Cash Collections	\$193,704 50
Abatements	236 81
Uncollected January 31, 1954	1,420 90
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	\$195,362 21
Less Refund	15 26
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	\$195,346 95

Receipts from Excise Tax, 1954	\$13,598 92
Receipts from Excise Tax, 1955	1,912 98
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	\$15,511 90
Less Refunds and Plantation Collections	40 76
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	\$15,471 14

## LIST OF UNPAID REAL ESTATE TAXES, 1954

### Resident

Bubier, Heirs of E. E.	\$ 77 55
Fernald, Mollie	133 00
Hatch, Heirs of Ivory	69 15
Hodgkins, Raymond	15 05
Hodgkins, Raymond and Velma	171 50
Marble, Herbert	220 50
Rand, Raymond	103 60
Smith, Elwyne	124 25
Sprague, Carroll Jr. and Helen	114 45

Staples, Bernard	\$43 65
Tilton, George and Bertha	18 45
Toothaker, Gerald	33 25
Wilson, Matthew Jr.	47 75 **
Wyman, Charles and Myrtle	43 05

**Non-Resident**

Caron, Arsene	\$ 21 70
Carter, Octavia	30 80
Libby, Everett	15 75 **
Mahon, W. P.	137 45

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\$1,420 90

\*\* Paid after books closed

**LIST OF UNPAID 1953 TAX LIENS WHICH WILL BECOME  
DUE AUGUST 27, 1955**

Marble, Herbert	\$211 60
Staples, Bernard	48 57
Wyman, Charles and Myrtle	92 00
Caron, Arsene	18 40
Tague, Heirs of Edward	82 80
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	\$453 37

**LIST OF ABATEMENTS**

Baker, David, pays in Jay	\$ 3 00
Bryant, Lewis, in Service	3 00
Bryant, Maurice, lives out of state	3 00
Burnham, Richard, pays in Livermore Falls	3 00
Carter, Sherman, deceased	3 00
Clark, Millard, error	10 00
Chiaravalloti, Antonio, over valued	10 50
Chandler, Merle, lives in Livermore Falls	5 63
Curtis, Allen, lives out of state	3 00
Cram, Benjamin, lives out of State	3 00
Dorr, Gordon, lives in Jay	3 00
Fitch, George, not of age	3 00
Frost, Royce, error	15 75
Hammond, N. M., hardship	3 00

Hiscock, Elwood, pays in Monmouth	\$ 3 00
Holman, Joseph, error	68 60
Hurd, Roger, lives in Livermore Falls	3 00
Jewett, Heirs of F. A., error	4 55
Landry, Arthur, pays in Livermore Falls	3 00
Lehto, Tommy, pays in Chesterville	3 00
Lothrop, Robert, lives in Winthrop	3 00
Lovejoy, Harold, lives in Pittsfield	3 00
Mooar, Joseph, error	9 63
Orcutt, Lester, error on boat	1 75
Pease, Allen G., pays in Farmington	3 00
Porter, Leroy, lives out of state	3 00
Richards, Erlon and Virginia, error	15 75
Savage, C. B., Jr., pays in Farmington	3 00
Savage, Lynn, pays in Farmington	3 00
Swett, Calvin, pays in Farmington	3 00
Smith, Ralph, error on boat	1 75
Staehli, Arthur, lives out of state	3 00
Tilton, George, lives in Jay	3 00
Tilton, William, lives in Michigan	3 00
Trask, Durwood, error on boat	1 75
Thompson, Clyde Sr., error	5 95
Tufts, Heirs of Eugene, error	70
Waldron, Erlon, error on boat	1 75
Williams, Harold, not of age	3 00
Whitney, Algie, lives in Florida	3 00
Whittier, Ashley, taxed twice	3 00
Wilbur, Lawrence, error on boat	1 75
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	\$236 81

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES M. ORDWAY, *Tax Collector.*

# **Town of Wilton, Maine**

## **Financial Report**

FISCAL YEAR — Feb. 1, 1954 to Jan. 31, 1955

### **Cash Accounts**

	Received	Expended
<b>CURRENT CASH</b>		
Balance on deposit Feb. 1, 1954	\$ 53,392 68	
Receipts	355,292 54	
Warrants paid		\$354,864 07
Balance on deposit Jan. 31, 1955		53,821 15
Totals	<u>\$408,685 22</u>	<u>\$408,685 22</u>
<b>CEMETERY CARE SAVINGS ACCOUNT</b>		
Balance on deposit Feb. 1, 1954	\$1,266 70	
Interest credited	27 91	
Withdrawn to reimburse Cemetery Account		\$1,254 61
Totals	<u>\$1,254 61</u>	<u>\$1,254 61</u>

## Administration Accounts

	Received	Expended
<b>TOWN CHARGES</b>		
Appropriated from Excise Taxes	\$13,000 00	
Received from: W. C. Fowler	300 00	
State Treasurer		
Dog refund	129 38	
R. R. & Tel. Tax	37 43	
Miscellaneous	33 91	
Transfers	16 60	
Warrants Paid: Manager's salary		\$4,499 56
Manager's expenses		1,178 16
Selectmen's salary		1,200 00
Clerical expense		2,390 28
Office expense		803 93
Heat, light, phone		497 39
Insurance		560 57
Printing		804 97
1954 audit		300 00
Election expense		360 15
Miscellaneous		753 79
Attorney		200 00
Tramps		8 00
Overexpended closed to contingent fund	39 48	
Totals	\$13,556 80	\$13,556 80

### CONTINGENT FUND

Balance from 1953 account	\$25,846 90	
Received from: Sale of cemetery lots	335 00	
Unassessed 1953 poll taxes	21 00	
Bank stock tax	1,832 51	
Licenses	15 00	
Miscellaneous	8 15	
Warrants Paid: Cemetery General Trust Fund		\$ 335 00

	Received	Expended
Unexpended balances from:		
Flood Repair	\$ 29 21	
Drainage Central School	22 62	
T. C. Hall road	2 73	
Hydrants	15 85	
Law enforcement	2 41	
Hinkleyville road	20 86	
McAuley road	13	
Overexpended balances from:		
Town Poor		\$ 896 67
Town Charges		39 48
Street Lights		36 56
Health Officer		359 96
Aid to Dependent Children		1,044 90
Revaluation		719 61
Interest		54 77
Fire Department		625 98
Abatements		236 81
Unappropriated Excise Taxes	471 14	
Overlay	1,117 26	
Supplementary Taxes	330 71	
Balance carried to 1955 account		25,721 74
Totals	<u>\$30,071 48</u>	<u>\$30,071 48</u>

## Highway Department

### STATE ROAD ACCOUNTS

#### STATE HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE

Appropriation	\$416 80	
Warrants paid		\$416 80
Totals	<u>\$416 80</u>	<u>\$416 80</u>

	Received	Expended
<b>STATE AID CONSTRUCTION</b>		
Appropriation	\$2,388 00	
Received from State Treasurer	2,493 80	
Warrants paid: Payroll		\$ 902 30
Trucks		2,623 78
Material		339 65
Culverts		543 57
Shovel		472 50
Totals	<u>\$4,881 80</u>	<u>\$4,881 80</u>

<b>TOWN ROAD IMPROVEMENT</b>		
Unexpended from 1953 account	\$ 11 65	
Transfers	73 10	
Warrants paid: Payroll		\$ 449 23
Trucks		1,168 88
Overexpended carried to 1955 account	1,533 36	
Totals	<u>\$1,618 11</u>	<u>\$1,618 11</u>

### TOWN ROAD MAINTENANCE ACCOUNTS

#### SUMMER HIGHWAY

Unexpended from 1953 account	\$ 53 33	
Appropriation	8,000 00	
Transfers: Materials supplied	1,347 28	
Received from: Town of Wilton	302 44	
Town of Livermore	21 60	
Wilton Schools	106 40	
Wilton Citizens	357 58	
Warrants paid: Payroll		\$3,247 26
Culverts		691 80
Material		3,776 01
Labor		535 22
Insurance		259 44
Transfers Storage and Repair		
Use of equipment		1,732 23
Overexpended carried to 1955 account	53 33	
Totals	<u>\$10,241 96</u>	<u>\$10,241 96</u>

	Received	Expended
<b>WINTER HIGHWAY</b>		
Unexpended from 1953 account	\$ 1,572 57	
Appropriation	14,000 00	
Received from: State Treasurer	2,213 25	
Town of Farmington	66 16	
Wilton Citizens	158 25	
Warrants paid: Payroll		\$8,034 29
Trucks		388 92
Material		2,110 56
Labor		271 55
Insurance		155 64
Transfers: Storage and Repair		
Use of equipment		7,023 81
Unexpended carried to 1955 account		25 46
Totals	<hr/> \$18,010 23	<hr/> \$18,010 23
<b>TARVIA</b>		
Unexpended from 1953 account	\$ 137 99	
Appropriation	5,000 00	
Received for tarring driveways	301 25	
Warrants paid: Payroll		\$ 842 45
Material		3,807 01
Transfers: Storage and Repair		
Use of equipment		754 03
Unexpended carried to 1955 account	35 75	
Totals	<hr/> \$5,439 24	<hr/> \$5,439 24
<b>FLOOD REPAIR</b>		
Overexpended carried from 1953 account		\$11,250 34
Appropriation	\$12,000 00	
Warrants paid: Payroll		222 63
Trucks		19 20
Labor		112 00
Transfer: Storage and Repair		
Use of equipment		366 62
Unexpended closed to Contingent fund		29 21
Totals	<hr/> \$12,000 00	<hr/> \$12,000 00

	Received	Expended
HURRICANE EDNA		
Received from Federal Gov't	\$6,487 50	
Received from State Treasurer	5,752 20	
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Total	\$12,239 70	
Warrants paid: Tree removal		\$ 93 20
Payroll		2,423 84
Trucks		1,400 65
Material		254 43
Culverts		3,551 76
Land		500 00
Tobin bridge		3,336 58
Transfers: Storage and Repair		
Use of equipment		2,916 73
Overexpended carried to 1955 account	2,237 49	
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Totals	\$14,477 19	\$14,477 19

### TOWN ROAD CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNTS

DRAINAGE CENTRAL SCHOOL		
Appropriation	\$500 00	
Warrants paid: Payroll		\$ 92 29
Trucks		6 40
Labor		313 37
Transfers: Storage and Repair		
Use of equipment		65 32
Unexpended closed to Contingent fund		22 62
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Totals	\$500 00	\$500 00
T. C. HALL & SONS ROAD		
Appropriation	\$300 00	
Warrants drawn: Payroll		\$104 68
Trucks		192 59
Unexpended closed to Contingent fund		2 73
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Totals	\$300 00	\$300 00

	Received	Expended
HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION		
Unexpended from 1953 account	\$11 49	
Transferred to New Construction		\$11 49
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Totals	\$11 49	\$11 49
HINKLEYVILLE ROAD		
Appropriation	\$1,000 00	
Warrants paid: Payroll		\$180 08
Trucks		166 95
Culverts		122 25
Transfers: Storage and Repair		
Use of equipment		312 76
Summer Highway		197 10
Unexpended closed to Contingent fund		20 86
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Totals	\$1,000 00	\$1,000 00
McAULEY ROAD		
Appropriation	\$1,000 00	
Warrants paid: Payroll		\$257 73
Labor		49 70
Trucks		225 98
Transfers: Storage and Repairs		387 23
Summer Highway		38 70
New Construction		40 53
Unexpended closed to Contingent fund		13
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Totals	\$1,000 00	\$1,000 00
KENNETH GIFFORD ROAD		
Unexpended from 1953 account	\$1,124 13	
Unexpended carried to 1955 account		\$1,124 13
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Totals	\$1,124 13	\$1,124 13

	Received	Expended
<b>NEW CONSTRUCTION</b>		
Appropriation from Excise tax	\$2,000 00	
Received from: State Treasurer	28 00	
Town of Weld	56 10	
Wilton Citizens	292 31	
Transfers: Summer Highway	52 02	
Warrants paid: Payroll		\$1,904 84
Material		185 22
Culverts		41 61
Trucks		16 00
Transfers: Storage and Repair		
Use of equipment		183 90
Unexpended carried to 1955 account		96 86
Totals	<u>\$2,428 43</u>	<u>\$2,428 43</u>

#### TOWN ROAD SPECIAL ACCOUNTS

<b>SIDEWALKS</b>		
Unexpended from 1953 account	\$ 44 68	
Received Income on Fuller fund	660 20	
Warrants paid: Payroll		\$135 83
Labor and materials		537 89
Transfers: Storage and Repair		
Use of equipment		49 05
Overexpended carried to 1955 account	17 89	
Totals	<u>\$722 77</u>	<u>\$722 77</u>

#### FENDERSON-FERNALD PARKING LOT

Unexpended from 1953 account	\$1,047 48	
Received from Wilton Citizens	102 12	
Warrants paid: Payroll		\$683 19
Labor		585 61
Culverts		371 75
Transfers: Storage and Repair		
Use of equipment		666 55
Overexpended carried to 1955 account	1,157 49	
Totals	<u>\$2,307 09</u>	<u>\$2,307 09</u>

	Received	Expended
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## ROAD EQUIPMENT ACCOUNTS

## ROAD EQUIPMENT

Unexpended from 1953 account	\$ 622 72	
Appropriation	2,000 00	
Received from: Town of Wilton	150 00	
K. & H. Foster	200 00	
Transfers from various accounts	2,363 65	
Warrants paid: Trucks		\$1,100 00
Loader		3,000 00
Dump body		300 00
Unexpended carried to 1955 account		936 37
Totals	\$5,336 37	\$5,336 37

## STORAGE AND REPAIR

Unexpended from 1953 account	\$ 259 57	
Received for use of equipment	2,934 96	
Transfers for use of equipment	11,245 69	
Warrants paid: Parts		\$7,994 70
Labor		861 74
Garage expense		1,534 04
Gasoline		3,773 20
Rent of stalls		62 50
Fuel oil tax		129 78
Welding		125 39
Express		39 32
Insurance		224 27
Overexpended carried to 1955 account	304 72	
Totals	\$14,744 94	\$14,744 94

## TOWN GARAGE

Unexpended from 1953 account	\$ 470 00
Appropriation	5,000 00

	Received	Expended
Receipts from Wilton Citizens	\$185 23	
Warrants paid: Payroll		\$1,320 38
Labor		642 79
Material		3,226 09
Insurance		244 53
Unexpended carried to 1955 account		221 44
Totals	<u>\$5,655 23</u>	<u>\$5,655 23</u>

## School Accounts

As the Superintendent's report is fully detailed only skeleton accounts are given here.

### COMMON SCHOOLS

Unexpended from 1953 account	\$ 389 53	
Appropriation	55,350 00	
Receipts: State Treasurer	28,444 70	
Interest on School fund	128 92	
Superintendent	3,649 56	
Town of Chesterville	200 00	
Warrants paid		\$86,616 29
Unexpended carried to 1955 account		1,546 42
Totals	<u>\$88,162 71</u>	<u>\$88,162 71</u>

### SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Appropriation	\$150 00	
Warrants paid: Payroll		\$150 00
Totals	<u>\$150 00</u>	<u>\$150 00</u>

	Received	Expended
REPAIRS, EQUIPMENT, & INSURANCE		
Overexpended from 1953 account		\$ 255 42
Appropriation	\$4,500 00	
Warrants paid		4,793 95
Overexpended carried to 1955 account	549 37	
Totals	<u>\$5,049 37</u>	<u>\$5,049 37</u>

SUPERINTENDENT		
Overexpended from 1953 account		\$ 7 86
Appropriation	\$2,200 00	
Warrants paid		2,189 92
Unexpended carried to 1955 account		2 22
Totals	<u>\$2,200 00</u>	<u>\$2,200 00</u>

WILTON ACADEMY		
Unexpended from 1953 account	\$25,500 00	
Appropriation	35,000 00	
Received from State Treasurer	15,000 00	
Warrants paid		\$50,000 00
Unexpended carried to 1955 account		25,500 00
Totals	<u>\$75,500 00</u>	<u>\$75,500 00</u>

SCHOOL BUS		
Unexpended from 1953 account	\$1,413 27	
Appropriation	1,000 00	
Warrants paid		\$ 200 98
Unexpended carried to 1955 account		2,212 29
Totals	<u>\$2,413 27</u>	<u>\$2,413 27</u>

## Protection

	Received	Expended
<b>CIVILIAN DEFENSE</b>		
Unexpended from 1953 account	\$88 70	
Warrants paid		\$88 70
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Totals	\$88 70	\$88 70
<b>FIRE CHIEF</b>		
Appropriation	\$350 00	
Warrants paid		\$350 00
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Totals	\$350 00	\$350 00
<b>FIRE DEPARTMENT</b>		
Appropriation	\$5,000 00	
Received from Norrwock Shoe Co.	35 30	
Warrants paid: Payroll		\$2,401 20
Lights		139 71
Labor and materials		808 57
East Wilton		225 96
Telephone		249 63
Insurance		587 59
Fuel oil		498 88
Fireman's payroll		716 00
Transfer: Storage and Repair — Gas		33 74
Overexpended closed to Contingent fund	625 98	
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Totals	\$5,661 28	\$5,661 28
<b>HYDRANTS</b>		
Appropriation	\$2,800 00	
Warrants paid		\$2,784 15
Unexpended closed to Contingent fund		15 85
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Totals	\$2,800 00	\$2,800 00

	Received	Expended
<b>LAW ENFORCEMENT</b>		
Unexpended from 1953 account	\$ 244 59	
Appropriation	2,200 00	
Received from: Wilton Academy	101 00	
Wilton Citizens	77 94	
Warrants paid: Payroll		\$2,178 28
Material		114 97
Uniforms		300 27
Insurance		11 00
Truant officer		16 60
Unexpended closed to Contingent Fund		2 41
Totals	<u>\$2,623 53</u>	<u>\$2,623 53</u>
<b>STREET LIGHTS</b>		
Appropriation	\$4,063 00	
Warrants paid: Wilton Lights		\$3,881 64
East Dixfield Lights		217 92
Overexpended closed to Contingent fund	36 56	
Totals	<u>\$4,099 56</u>	<u>\$4,099 56</u>

## Health and Sanitation

<b>HEALTH OFFICER</b>		
Warrants paid: Salary		\$250 00
Expenses		109 96
Overexpended closed to Contingent fund	\$359 96	
Totals	<u>\$359 96</u>	<u>\$359 96</u>
<b>MEDICAL EXAMINATION OF CHILDREN</b>		
Unexpended from 1953 account	\$91 86	
Warrants paid: H. M. Zikel		\$40 00
Unexpended carried to 1955 account		51 86
Totals	<u>\$91 86</u>	<u>\$91 86</u>

	Received	Expended
PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE		
Appropriation	\$1,800 00	
Warrants paid		\$1,800 00
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Totals	\$1,800 00	\$1,800 00

SEWAGE DISPOSAL SURVEY		
Unexpended from 1953 account	\$1,700 00	
Unexpended carried to 1955 account		\$1,700 00
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Totals	\$1,700 00	\$1,700 00

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## Cemeteries

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EAST WILTON CEMETERY		
Appropriation	\$300 00	
Received: Interest on U. S. bonds	60 00	
Warrants paid		\$330 00
Unexpended carried to 1955 account		30 00
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Totals	\$360 00	\$360 00

INTERVALE CEMETERY		
Unexpended from 1953 account	\$ 2 47	
Appropriation	200 00	
Receipts: Interest on U. S. bonds	5 00	
Warrants paid		\$204 97
Unexpended carried to 1955 account		2 50
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Totals	\$207 47	\$207 47

	Received	Expended
LAKEVIEW AND OTHER CEMETERIES		
Unexpended from 1953 account	\$1,226 70	
Appropriation	1,000 00	
Receipts: Interest on U. S. bonds	659 00	
Care of lots	530 25	
Miscellaneous	6 40	
Transfers: Interest on savings accts.	33 25	
Warrants paid: Payroll		\$2,880 87
Labor		136 95
Insurance		9 58
Material		167 50
East Dixfield		57 68
Transfers: Storage and Repair		18 00
Road equipment		89 95
Summer Highway		194 00
Overexpended carried to 1955 account	98 63	
Totals	\$3,554 23	\$3,554 23
MEMORIAL DAY		
Appropriation	\$150 00	
Warrants paid		\$150 00
Totals	\$150 00	\$150 00

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## Charities

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AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN		
Warrants paid		\$1,044 90
Overexpended closed to Contingent fund	\$1,044 90	
Totals	\$1,044 90	\$1,044 90

	Received	Expended
TOWN POOR		
Unexpended from 1953 account	\$ 227 29	
Appropriation	4,000 00	
Received from Employment of Poor	814 57	
Warrants paid		\$5,909 39
Transfers from State Poor		29 64
Overexpended closed to Contingent	896 67	
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Totals	\$5,939 03	\$5,939 03

STATE POOR		
Balance due on 1953 account		\$ 171 07
Warrants paid		1,868 80
Transfers to Town Poor	\$ 29 64	
Received from: State Treasurer	1,557 20	
Refunds	327 00	
Balance due from State	126 03	
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Totals	\$2,039 87	\$2,039 87

NON-RESIDENT POOR		
Balance due on 1953 accounts		\$ 345 94
Warrants paid		1,337 06
Received from: Town of Oakland	\$ 247 89	
Town of Weld	147 74	
Town of New Vineyard	14 00	
Town of Canton	100 44	
Guardian Case #1	1,099 24	
Balances due carried to 1955 account:		
Guardian Case #1	28 00	
Town of Weld	14 00	
Town of Canton	31 69	
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Totals	\$1,683 00	\$1,683 00

## Trust Funds

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	Received	Expended
Rawson Fuller Sidewalk Fund	\$12,521 29	
Appreciation in Book Value	3,786 57	
Trust Account — Depositor's Trust		\$16,307 86
School Fund	1,576 03	
Ministerial School Fund	572 67	
Acknowledgement of Notes by town in 1940		2,148 70
Trusts for Care of Cemetery Lots:		
Balance Feb. 1, 1954	28,990 45	
New Trusts: Detail on page 54	800 00	
Sale of Cemetery Lots	335 00	
U. S. Bonds		29,200 00
Savings Account #1311, Depositor's Trust		925 45
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Totals	\$48,582 01	\$48,582 01

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## Tax Accounts

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### PROPERTY AND POLL TAXES

Uncollected 1953 Taxes		\$ 1,298 87
Assessment of 1954		195,016 24
Supplementary Tax		330 71
Received from Tax Collector	\$195,704 50	
Warrants paid: Refund		15 26
Transferred to Liens	1,298 87	
Transferred to Abatements	236 81	
Uncollected 1954 Taxes	1,420 90	
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Totals	\$196,661 08	\$196,661 08

	Received	Expended
<b>EXCISE TAXES</b>		
Received from Collector	\$15,511 90	
Warrants paid: Refunds		\$ 3 93
Plantation collections		36 83
Appropriations: Town Charges		13,000 00
New Construction		2,000 00
Closed to Contingent fund		471 14
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Totals	\$15,511 90	\$15,511 90
<b>TAX LIENS</b>		
Balance from 1953 account		\$ 18 55
Transferred from 1953 Taxes		1,298 87
Received from: Ruth Allen	\$ 30 45	
Ray Smith	4 60	
Herbert Lakin	9 20	
Wm. Wagner	202 40	
Victor Small	85 80	
Kenneth Chapman	18 40	
Charles Kargas	32 00	
Corinne Riggs	101 20	
Richard Bunker	40 00	
Guy Hurd	59 80	
Albert Merry	73 00	
Heirs of Ida Brown	160 20	
Transferred to Town Owned Property	4 20	
Liens on hand: Herbert Marble	211 60	
Bernard Staples	48 57	
Chas. & Myrtle Wyman	92 00	
Arsene Caron	18 40	
Heirs Edw. Tague	82 80	
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Totals	\$1,317 42	\$1,317 42
<b>TOWN OWNED PROPERTY</b>		
Balance from 1953 account		\$27 96
Transferred from Liens		4 20
Balance carried to 1955 account	\$32 16	
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Totals	\$32 16	\$32 16

	Received	Expended
<b>ABATEMENTS</b>		
Abatements allowed		\$236 81
Overdraft closed to Contingent fund	\$236 81	
Totals	\$236 81	\$236 81
<b>REVALUATION</b>		
Unexpended from 1953 account	\$3,185 36	
Warrants paid: Services		\$3,685 95
Vault		219 02
Overexpended closed to Contingent	719 61	
Totals	\$3,904 97	\$3,904 97
<b>COUNTY TAX</b>		
Appropriation	\$7,731 18	
Warrants paid		\$7,731 18
Totals	\$7,731 18	\$7,731 18

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## Town Debt Accounts

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<b>BONDS PAYABLE</b>		
Balance payable 2-1-1954	\$59,000 00	
Warrants paid		\$ 7,000 00
Balance unpaid carried to 1955 account		52,000 00
Totals	\$59,000 00	\$59,000 00
<b>TEMPORARY LOANS</b>		
Received from Depositor's Trust Co.	\$60,000 00	
Warrants paid		\$60,000 00
Totals	\$60,000 00	\$60,000 00

	Received	Expended
INTEREST		
Appropriation	\$1,500 00	
Received Interest on Liens	16 38	
Warrants paid: Interest on School Funds		\$ 128 92
Interest on Bonds		1,180 00
Interest on Temporary Loans		262 23
Overexpended closed to Contingent	54 77	
Totals	\$1,571 15	\$1,571 15
TOWN DEBT		
Bonds outstanding 2-1-1954		\$59,000 00
Notes payable 2-1-1954		2,148 70
Appropriation	\$ 7,000 00	
Bonds outstanding 1-31-1955	52,000 00	
Notes payable 1-31-1955	2,148 70	
Totals	\$61,148 70	\$61,148 70

## Unclassified Accounts

LIBRARY		
Appropriation: Regular	\$2,350 00	
Appropriation: Repairs	500 00	
Received from State Treasurer	90 00	
Warrants paid		\$2,940 00
Totals	\$2,940 00	\$2,940 00
SOCIAL SECURITY		
Balance from 1953 account	\$ 46 30	
Appropriation	1,000 00	
Received from withholdings	893 40	
Warrants paid		\$1,895 83
Unexpended carried to 1955 account		43 87
Totals	\$1,939 70	\$1,939 70

	Received	Expended
PUBLIC BUILDINGS		
Unexpended from 1953 account	\$ 247 44	
Received from: Rudy Landry	1,200 00	
Fowler's Market	1,170 00	
Town Hall income	196 00	
Warrants paid: Fuel oil		\$ 893 71
Lights		67 23
Labor		337 71
Material		6 91
Scouts		89 54
Insurance		339 75
Water		116 60
Floor — Fowler's Market		1,067 00
Overexpended carried to 1955 account	105 01	
Totals	<u>\$2,918 45</u>	<u>\$2,918 45</u>
RECREATION PROGRAM		
Unexpended from 1953 account	\$ 280 17	
Appropriation	2,000 00	
Warrants paid: Payroll		\$1,161 00
Labor		242 59
Material		233 64
Insurance		57 96
Unexpended carried to 1955 account		584 98
Totals	<u>\$2,280 17</u>	<u>\$2,280 17</u>
MAINE PUBLICITY BUREAU		
Appropriation	\$150 00	
Warrants paid		\$150 00
Totals	<u>\$150 00</u>	<u>\$150 00</u>

## Supplement to Financial Report

Schedule of Securities held by Depositor's Trust Co. in the Rawson Fuller Trust:

Amount	Description	Book Value	Market Value
\$1,000	Delaware, Lackawanna & Western R.R. Co. Ser. A 1st 4s-1993	\$ 676 25	\$ 806 25
3,000	Monongahela Power Co. 1st 3-1975	3,075 00	2,970 00
2,000	Roman Catholic Bishop of Portland 1st 3½ Series V. 1963	2,100 00	1,980 00
1,000	Southern California Edison Co. 1st & Ref. 3-1965	1,015 00	1,032 50
2,000	U. S. Bonds 2½ 1971	2,000 00	1,978 75
25 Shs.	American Telephone & Telegraph	3,966 75	4,375 00
75 Shs.	General Electric Co.	1,392 13	3,406 25
25 Shs.	Union Carbide & Carbon Corp.	2,035 37	2,156 25
	Principal cash	47 36	47 36
	Totals	<u>\$16,307 86</u>	<u>\$18,752 36</u>

Market values are those of December 31, 1954.

Book value increased during the year by sale of 20 shares of Atlantic Refining Co. Cum. pfd. 3.75% Ser. B at a profit of \$50.46.

## Cemetery Trust Funds

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### LAKE VIEW CEMETERY

Name of Fund	Lot Numbers	Amount of Fund, 2/1/55
Wm. H. and A. Dascombe	284	\$ 600 00
John and Marcena Robbins	296	300 00
O. M. Miller	151	239 22
Oscar Wilkins	P	121 38
Agnes I. Goodspeed	180-190-362-367	1,200 30
Wm. and Druscilla Bowman	360	240 45
R. C. Fuller	337	226 37
John O. Legroo	168 & 178	600 14
J. F. W. Gould	28	61 11
M. Jane Holmes	360	120 19
Eveline C. Hathaway	148	56 17
F. B. Green	371 & 200	327 51
Ernest L. Vining		59 10
Charles and Clara Vaughan	273	108 90
N. W. Sewall	328	123 02
A. R. Savage	303	255 94
Mr. and Mrs. John Duley	N	65 22
G. H. Bass	346-47-48-354-355	501 67
Miranda Woodard	Weld St.	160 00
John D. Foster	104	51 00
Stephen R. Bonney	297	50 00
Hamilton and John B. Gould	221 & 222	100 00
Albion McCully	241	100 00
Charles and Nancy Davis	216	100 00
J. Frank Gallier	106	50 00
Cassie Davis Black	1-1	100 00
Julia A. Green	5	100 00
Fred J. Ward	62	100 00
W. F. Adams	G	100 00
Jesse D. Fletcher	222½	100 00
Sylvanus and Nancy Wilkins	287	50 00
Joseph and Addie Lake	26	100 00

Name of Fund	Lot Numbers	Amount of Fund, 2/1/55
Mr. and Mrs. William Eustis	310	\$ 50 00
Mary J. Calden	104	50 00
Charles M. Bryant	245	400 00
Mrs. Margaret Stewart	470	100 00
Mary W. Green	22A-22B	100 00
Winfield S. Mayo	3	200 00
Joel T. Wilkins	141	100 00
Charles Miller	314	100 00
Herbert C. Welch	456	100 00
Gilbert Miller	162	50 00
William H. Harris	707	100 00
Simon Allen	231	100 00
Roscoe Vaughan	274	100 00
Charles O. Tobin	459	50 00
Wallace W. Davenport	429	50 00
H. Elmon Ellis	442	79 44
W. J. Trefethen	344	100 00
Joseph Trefethen	352	100 00
John Burns	762	100 00
Mertie I. Young	33	100 00
Moses T. Jones	351	100 00
Edwin Brown and Eugene Davis	99	100 00
Granville F. Mayo	214	100 00
J. M. and C. B. Woodman	147-157	124 03
H. J. Ellsworth	336½	100 00
A. A. Jacobs	830	100 00
J. Merle Smith	850	100 00
Herbert and Ada Tobin	D-1	100 00
Marge E. Sanborn	21	300 00
J. E. and L. P. Hiscock	327 & 336	200 00
J. Kendall York	K-3	150 00
Drew T. Harthorn	454-460	200 00
Percy Perkins	627	100 00
Horace S. Mosher	373	50 00
Evie Wilkins	53	100 00
Elwyn E. Cram	626	100 00
Annie Virgin	705	100 00
Alec Taylor	307	100 00

Name of Fund	Lot Numbers	Amount of Fund, 2/1/55
Eugene H. Clark	136	\$ 100 00
H. R. Dascombe	167-177	200 00
John and Nettie Moody	182	50 00
Willard H. Palmer	63	150 00
Edwin L. and Velzora Carter	32	100 00
George F. Goodspeed	640-655	1,000 00
Camilous E. Grant	1/2 829	50 00
Ralph G. Kyes	637-655	200 00
Edward W. Perkins	193	100 00
Frank P. Otis	678-696	200 00
Dana O. Sewall	784	100 00
G. R. Fernald	345	100 00
G. G. Fernald	353	100 00
George E. Hiltz	844	100 00
Horace A. North	359	100 00
Joseph Howland	509	100 00
Edgar C. Bump	669-687	200 00
Lillian M. Sawyer	156	100 00
William W. Wilkins	57	100 00
B. W. and M. L. Searles	906-927	200 00
Ray E. Searles	928	100 00
Hazel Foster	462	100 00
Howard E. Kyes	866-886	200 00
Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Morse	179	100 00
Maurice A. York	324	100 00
Alvin A. Waite	786	100 00
Coney P. Eaton	120	100 00
Stephen Pease	150	150 00
Lester V. North	173	100 00
Ruth E. Woods	893	100 00
Dr. J. R. Eaton	110	100 00
Arthur D. Brown	867	100 00
Wendell D. Brown	887	100 00
Queen M. Schofield	690	100 00
Charles W. Noyes	658	200 00
George R. Smith	763	100 00
Charles M. Noyes	217	100 00
Adelaide P. Baxter	188	100 00

Name of Fund	Lot Numbers	Amount of Fund, 2/1/55
Cyrus Fenderson Sr.	134	\$100 00
Cyrus Greenwood	145	100 00
Edward J. MacKay	527	100 00
Ernest H. Holman	½ 864 & 884	100 00
Leon Mosher	369	100 00
W. F. Savage	153	100 00
Sebastyan Nowak	½	100 00
M. Parker Abbott	903-930	500 00
Henry E. Douglass	½ 864 & 884	100 00
Sherman L. Carter	31	100 00
George M. Goding	366	200 00
Lawson Reeves	N½ 955 & 976	100 00
Mary A. and Lizzie E. Bass	165-175	200 00
George Milo Dean	East Dixfield	100 00
Charles E. Jackson	636-653	200 00
Rev. Fairbanks		100 00
Julia Blasel	573	200 00
Est. of Forrest H. Cushman		100 00
John Grant	R1	100 00
Mrs. William Burns	Lot No. 43	100 00
Estate of Arnold Sanborn	Lots No. 656½ & 639	200 00
Estate of Albert Tufts	Lots No. 497 & 498	200 00
E. E. Melendy	Lot No. 257	100 00
Otis Melendy	Lot No. 294	100 00
Eva Jennings and Cora Prince	Lot No. 275	100 00
Anna Allen	Lots No. ½ 907 & 927	100 00
Herbert Sanborn	Lot No. 22	50 00
Heirs of Arnold Sanborn	Lots No. 656½ & 639	50 00
Leona Brooks	Lots No. 989 & 1009	100 00
Ray and Lester Orcutt	Lots No. 833 & 853	200 00
Harold Young	Lots No. 953 & 974	100 00
Phyllis Beisaw	Lot No. 306	100 00
Marguerite Clarke	Lots No. 414 & 420	200 00
Harry Sandspra	Lot No. 415	100 00
Frances Hobbs	Lot No. 792	100 00
C. N. Masterman	Lot No. 7	100 00
Barbara Connelly	Lot No. ½	100 00
Cyrus Fenderson Jr.	Lot No. 124	100 00

Name of Fund	Lot Numbers	Amount of Fund, 2/1/55
Alice Fernald	Lot No. 36	\$100 00
E. H. Morison	Lots No. 608 & 625 & 163	300 00
Hattie McKenney	Lots No. 880 & 860	200 00
Mrs. D. F. Tracy	Lot No. 827	150 00
William J. Tutty	Lots No. 1028 & 1046	200 00
Earl Harvey	Lot No. 332	100 00
Leon and Elizabeth Leavitt	Lots No. 112 & L	200 00
Estate of Chester Crosby	Lot No. T2	100 00
Estate of Mabel Perry	Lot No. 317	100 00
Nellie and Paul Bottiggi	Lot No. 480	100 00
Nellie Swift	Lot No. 706	100 00
Florence E. Blanchard	Lot No. 208	200 00

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#### EAST WILTON CEMETERY

Name of Fund	
O. L. Walker	\$ 50 00
Abbie A. Macomber	100 00
Edwin S. Farnum	100 00
Fred W. Bowley	100 00
Josiah G. Adams	100 00
Augustus F. Butterfield	100 00
Charles L. Green	500 00
Charles Elmer Lombard	100 00
Charles W. Lawrence	50 00
J. R. Brown	100 00
Charles W. Adams	100 00
Bion Fletcher	75 00
Albert H. Adams	100 00
William A. Adams	100 00
William and Benson Brown	150 00
George K. Green	100 00
George E. Sands	100 00
Leroy G. Brown	200 00
Fred H. and Mary T. Ranger	100 00
Fred B. Blanchard	100 00
Rosie Bean	100 00

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\$2,525 00

**WILTON INTERVALE CEMETERY**

Name of Fund	
Charles Newall	\$ 61 79
Flora E. Lumbert	127 50
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	\$189 29

**EAST DIXFIELD CEMETERY**

J. W. and G. F. Butterfield	\$100 00
Carl R. Butterfield	100 00
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	\$200 00

# Auditor's Report

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February 8, 1955

Town Manager,  
Selectmen of Wilton,  
Wilton, Maine

Dear Sirs:

Herewith is submitted my 19th report as auditor of the town of Wilton, Maine. Again I compliment the town manager and his clerk on a very well kept set of books for the year.

While the town manager, selectmen and other town officers can feel satisfied with the results of their year's labor, this year's report does not make as pleasant reading as that of 1953. The reason lies in six large overdrafts in Town Poor, Health Officer, Aid to Dependent Children, Revaluation, Fire Department, and Abatements accounts. Closing these to the Contingent fund, reduced the balance below the 1953 closing. During the year it was necessary to borrow \$60,000 in Temporary loans. The larger the Contingent fund the less the likelihood of having to borrow for current expenses.

In July 1955 some \$12,000 of the Cemetery Trust bonds come due. This raises the question of whether this money, and that which will be coming right along from the rest of the bonds, should be: A. Reinvested in U. S. bonds. B. Placed in a trust fund similar to the Rawson Fuller Trust. C. Invested in one or more good investment trusts. The town of Strong invested a large part of their Cemetery trust funds in Massachusetts Investors Trust. The return is considerably more than that given by U. S. bonds, and partial protection against loss in value of the principal due to inflation is provided. There are several other investment trusts that would be satisfactory. The State law provides that these funds must be invested in securities that are legal investments for savings banks.

**AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE**

This is to certify that I have examined the books of the Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Excise Tax Collector, and Town Manager of the Town of Wilton, for the fiscal year February 1, 1954 to January 31, 1955, and find them, in my opinion, an accurate record of the amounts received by the Treasurer, and disbursed in accord with warrants duly signed by the Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor, and School Board. The amounts paid to the Treasurer by the Tax Collector and Excise Tax Collector are in accord with the assessments made, except for the uncollected items stated in the Tax Collector's report. This examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and included such tests of records and other items as was considered necessary to establish the accuracy of the accounts.

In closing I wish to express my appreciation to the Selectmen, Mr. Ordway, and Mrs. Briggs for the assistance they have given me in making this audit and preparing this report.

Respectfully submitted,

CYRUS F. FERNALD, C. P. A.

## TOWN OF WILTON, MAINE

**Comparative Balance Sheets**

AS OF JANUARY 31

ASSETS	1955	1954
Current cash	\$53,821 15	\$53,392 68
Cemetery care savings		1,226 70
Town Road Improvement	1,533 36	
Summer Highway	53 33	
Flood Repair		11,250 34
Hurricane Edna	2,237 49	
Storage and Repair	304 72	
Sidewalks	17 89	
Fenderson-Fernald Parking Lot	1,157 49	
School Repairs	549 37	255 42
Superintendent's Salary		7 86
Lakeview Cemetery	98 63	
State Poor	126 03	171 07
Non-resident Poor	73 69	345 94
Uncollected Taxes	1,420 90	1,298 87
Tax Liens	453 37	18 55
Town Owned Property	32 16	27 96
Town Debt	52,000 00	59,000 00
Public Buildings	105 01	
Trust account — Depositor's Trust Co.	16,307 86	16,257 40
U. S. Bonds	29,200 00	28,200 00
Savings account — Depositor's Trust Co.	925 45	790 45
Acknowledgement of Notes	2,148 70	2,148 70
Total Assets	\$162,566 60	\$174,391 94

## LIABILITIES

	1955	1954
Contingent Fund	\$25,721 74	\$25,846 90
Town Road Improvement		11 65
Summer Highway		53 33
Winter Highway	25 46	1,572 57
Tarvia	35 75	137 99
Kenneth Gifford Road	1,124 13	1,124 13
New Construction	96 86	
Highway Construction		11 49
Sidewalks		44 68
Fenderson-Fernald Parking Lot		1,047 48
Road Equipment	936 37	622 72
Storage and Repair		259 57
Town Garage	221 44	470 00
Common Schools	1,546 42	389 53
Superintendent's Salary	2 22	
School Bus	2,212 29	1,413 27
Wilton Academy	25,500 00	25,500 00
Civilian Defense		88 70
Law Enforcement		244 59
Medical Examination	51 86	91 86
Sewage Disposal Survey	1,700 00	1,700 00
East Wilton Cemetery	30 00	
Intervale Cemetery	2 50	2 47
Lakeview and other Cemeteries		1,226 70
Town Poor		227 79
Revaluation		3,185 36
Public Buildings		247 44
Recreation	584 98	280 17
Social Security	43 87	46 30
Bonds Payable	52,000 00	59,000 00
Notes Payable	2,148 70	2,148 70

	1955	1954
Rawson Fuller Sidewalk Fund	12,521 29	12,521 29
Appreciation in book value	3,786 57	3,736 11
School Fund	1,576 03	1,576 03
Ministerial School Fund	572 67	572 67
Trusts for care of Cemeteries	30,125 45	28,990 45
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Total Liabilities	\$162,566 60	\$174,391 94

# Finance Committee Report

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The following appropriations are recommended by the Finance Committee:

Common Schools	\$53,300 00
School Repairs	6,000 00
Supt. of Schools	2,200 00
School Committee	150 00
School Bus	1,000 00
Painting Central School	2,500 00
Wilton Academy Tuition	32,000 00
Health Nurse	1,800 00
Summer Highway	8,000 00
Tarvia	5,000 00
Winter Highway	14,000 00
State Highway Maintenance	416 80
State Aid Construction	2,388 00
Road Equipment	2,000 00
New Town Garage	3,750 00
New Highway Construction	1,500 00
Fire Department	6,000 00
Fire Chief	350 00
Hydrant Rental	2,800 00
Public Library	2,450 00
Street Lights	4,200 00
Law Enforcement	2,200 00
Town Charges	13,000 00
E. Wilton Cemetery	300 00
Intervale Cemetery	200 00
Other Cemeteries	1,500 00
Memorial Day	150 00
Town Poor	5,000 00
Publicity Bureau	150 00
Recreation	1,500 00
Interest	1,450 00

School Bonds	\$ 7,000 00
Social Security	1,000 00
A. D. C.	1,200 00
Scout Hall	500 00
Bridge at foot of Wilson Lake	1,000 00
Fish Screen	300 00
Town Dump	300 00
Civilian Defense	300 00
Health Officer	250 00
Health Officer Expenses	100 00
Abatements	300 00
Fenderson-Fernald Parking Lot	2,000 00
Advertising Town of Wilton	500 00
County Tax (estimated)	12,420 00

	\$204,424 80
Overlay (estimated)	3,400 20
	<u>\$207,825 00</u>

Estimated Poll Taxes	\$ 2,400 00
Estimated Excise Tax	14,500 00
	<u>16,900 00</u>

Necessary to raise	\$190,925 00
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Estimated Valuation	\$5,455,000 00
Estimated Tax Rate	035

It is recommended that the \$13,000 for Town Charges be appropriated from excise tax money.

It is recommended that the \$1,500 for New Street Construction be appropriated from excise tax money.

It is recommended that the town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000 to build a foot bridge across the stream at the foot of Wilson Lake.

Respectfully submitted,

Freedom Rand, Howard E. Kyes, Ralph C. Hall, Donald McKeen, Clifford Noyes, Laurence D. Goodspeed, Fred A. Blanchard, C. Francis Egan, Robert M. Edwards, Albert T. Fiel, Roland Osgood, Lewis Paine, Earl Harnden, Charles C. Swett, Harry L. Stansfield, Roy P. Gifford, Linwood A. Rolfe, Harold L. Young.

*Finance Committee*



An appropriate article has been inserted in the annual Town Warrant to see if a bridge will be built to replace the one lost in Hurricane Edna at the outlet of Wilson Lake.

## White Pine Blister Rust

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The white pine blister rust control program operates in the State of Maine through the cooperative efforts of individuals, towns, State and Federal governments. It is only through such cooperation that the protection of our most valuable pine stands can be accomplished. Revenue received from employment, harvesting and manufacture of this valuable timber tree is of major economic importance to our people. The harvesting of white pine continues to lead all softwood lumber production. In addition, our white pine stands are regarded highly for their water-shed protection and recreational values. In order to assure a continuing supply, protection must be given to immature stands particularly susceptible to this fatal disease. This can be accomplished only by removing currant and gooseberry plants from the pine and control areas. These bushes are the only carriers of the disease to white pine. One pine cannot infect another.

Areas cleared of these plants and subject to re-examinations periodically can be classed generally as maintenance areas. Once established, protection can be maintained for a very small cost per acre as compared with areas left without adequate protection through too infrequent examinations.

After discussing the status of control in your town with the Blister Rust Agent for the area, I recommend that an amount of \$200.00 be appropriated for control work in 1955. The amount raised by the town will be supplemented with State and Federal funds. My recommendations are made and urged in compliance with the Revised Statutes of 1944, Chapter 32, Section 54, a copy of which is enclosed.

Further questions or information regarding the situation in your town may be taken up with your Blister Rust Agent or with the Maine Forest Service, Blister Rust Control, State House Annex, Augusta.

Very truly yours,

A. D. NUTTING,

*Forest Commissioner*

# Report of Superintendent of Schools

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Wilton, Maine

*To the Superintending School Committee and Citizens of Wilton:*

I hereby submit my fifth annual report of Wilton Schools:

## PERSONNEL

Two additions were made in the elementary teaching staff at the beginning of the school year. Edith Parker, a graduate of F.S.T.C. last June, was secured to teach a combined Grade 1-2 room at the Primary building, and Donna Heath was engaged on part-time basis to do remedial work with pupils at the Primary and Central schools. Carrie Scott resigned last June and was succeeded in Grade 2 by Elizabeth MacQuoid, a former member of the Wilton staff. John Kinsman, art teacher, resigned in October to accept employment in Boston, and the position has remained vacant since that time.

At Wilton Academy the only change was the resignation of Florence Greenleaf, who was succeeded as Commercial instructor by Patricia Robbins of McKinley, a graduate last June from Husson College.

The Custodial staff remains the same except for the resignations of Lee and Ruth Cox at the Primary School. Roland Huse now is janitor at both the Primary and East Wilton schools.

Conveyance personnel is also as last year with the one exception at Macomber Road where Leona Adams is transporting pupils in that area in place of Bertha Karkos. There were no changes in the Cafeteria staff.

## PERSONNEL DIRECTORY

## CENTRAL

Teacher	School and Grade	Local Address
Mr. A. Foster Sanborn	Principal — Grade 8	Wilton, Maine
Miss Blanche Applebee	Grade 8	North Jay, Maine
Mrs. Aurora Gould	Grade 7	Wilton, Maine
Mrs. Dorothy Beedy	Grade 6	East Wilton, Maine
Miss Bernice Green	Grade 7	Wilton, Maine
Mrs. Arlene Harriman	Grade 6	East Wilton, Maine
Mrs. Dora Perkins	Grade 5	Wilton, Maine
Miss Charlotte Pratt	Grades 4-5	Wilton, Maine

## PRIMARY

Mrs. Eleanor Mitchell	Principal — Grade 3	Farmington, Maine
Mrs. Beatrice Hutchinson	Grade 4	East Dixfield, Maine
Mrs. Elizabeth MacQuoid	Grade 2	Wilton, Maine
Miss Edith Parker	Grades 1-2	Wilton, Maine
Mrs. Lillian Burgess	Grade 1	Wilton, Maine
Mrs. Birdena Mosher	J.P.	Wilton, Maine

## EAST WILTON

Mr. Walter Webber	Principal — Grades 7-8	Farmington, Maine
Mrs. Maude Corey	Grades 5-6	East Wilton, Maine
Mrs. Edna Buchanan	Grades 3-4	East Wilton, Maine
Mrs. Alice Stanley	Grades J.P.-1-2	Farmington, Maine

## DRYDEN

Mrs. Helen Waldron	Principal, Grades 2-3	Dryden, Maine
Miss Lucinda Bean	Grades J.P.-1	Dryden, Maine

## EAST DIXFIELD

Mr. Eugene Norton	Principal, Upper Grades	Dixfield, Maine, R.F.D.
Mrs. Elizabeth Gill	Lower Grades	North Jay, Maine

## SPECIAL

Mrs. Leah T. Petersen	Music Supervisor, all schools	Wilton, Me.
Mrs. Donna Heath	Central and Primary	Wilton, Me., R.F.D.

## ADMINISTRATIVE, PUPIL TRANSPORTATION, CUSTODIAL AND CAFETERIA PERSONNEL

### ADMINISTRATIVE

Superintending School Committee	Mr. Harold Karkos Mr. Floyd Adams Mr. Kenneth Foster	Wilton, Maine Dryden, Maine Wilton, Maine
Executive Committee of W.A. Trustees	Mr. Roy Gifford Mr. Hubert Ryan Mr. Rowell Orr	Wilton, Maine Wilton, Maine Wilton, Maine
Superintendent of Schs.	Mr. Gerald D. Cushing	Wilton, Maine
School Sec., Union #33	Mrs. Ethelyn Ferguson	Wilton, Maine
Health Nurse	Miss Olive Bonsey, R.N.	Wilton, Maine
Health Officer	Dr. Maynard Colley	Wilton, Maine
Attendance Officers	Mr. Mid Brown Mr. Earl Dyke	Wilton, Maine Wilton, Maine

### PUPIL TRANSPORTATION

Donald Shea, Supervis.	Brown Nbrhd, Weld Road	Wilton, Maine
Earl Dyke	E. Dixfield, E. Wilton	Wilton, Maine
Joseph Hardy	Walker Hills	Farmington, Maine, R.F.D.
Leona Adams	Munson Hill, Macomber Rd.	Dryden, Me.
Dan Perry	Sub-Primary Route	Wilton, Maine

### CUSTODIAL

Harry Burrill	Central & Primary	East Wilton, Maine
Roland Huse	Primary & E. Wilton	East Wilton, Maine
Stanley Pike	Dryden	Dryden, Maine
Raymond Clark	Wilton Academy	Wilton, Maine
Eugene Norton	East Dixfield	Dixfield, Maine, R.F.D.

**CAFETERIA**

Ada Allen, Supervisor	Central School	Wilton, Maine
Christine Collins	Central School	Wilton, Maine
Florence Pike	Central School	Dryden, Maine
Grace Trask	Central School	Wilton, Maine
Hazel Chaney	East Wilton	East Wilton, Maine
Ida Melendy	Wilton Academy	Wilton, Maine
Althea Babb	Wilton Academy	Wilton, Maine

**BUILDINGS AND EQUIPMENT**

There has been one change during the year in building facilities. The Activity room at the Primary school was converted last September into a classroom, with no room now remaining at any of our schools for additional classroom space.

The only major item of equipment possible under the curtailed budget was the addition of 30 seating units at the Central school. We should add a smaller number of such units annually to assure an adequate number of the right sizes to accommodate pupils in certain grades.

**REPAIRS**

Last year the amount raised for repairs, equipment, insurance, and rent was \$2,000 less than was raised previously. Nothing much could be done outside of routine demands. The cafeteria kitchen at the Central school was painted and a partition built between the second and third grade rooms at the Primary school, necessitated for acoustical reasons when the former Activity Room became a classroom for part of the second grade.

Needs, which cannot be undertaken without considerable expense, are as follows: provision of a water supply at East Dixfield, the advisability of which was included in my last year's report. The water from the well usually used will not pass state tests, and we are using coolers in each room, the water being brought in pails from a nearby private home. It would seem that the only permanent solution would be a drilled well, water being drawn from a depth to assure both quantity and quality at all times. The cost of such a project is problematical, but is definitely urgent if the school is to have its own independent supply at all times.

The boiler at Dryden is still functioning. I am not too optimistic that it will continue to do so. Tubes have been packed, but may cause trouble. We can hope no serious breakdown will occur, but we should be aware of the possible necessity of boiler replacement at a cost of probably \$1,500 on short notice. The exterior painting at the Central School, already delayed a year longer than anticipated, is another need. For preservation of the shingles, this should be postponed no longer than necessary.

### ENROLLMENT

Our enrollment figures did not materially change this year, but we find that certain grade levels increase, requiring shifting of teacher loads. Nearly all teachers now have a more reasonable load, but we still have several rooms with about forty pupils. Best work can be accomplished with no more than thirty in a room. Enrollment figures as of last September and anticipated enrollment for next September follow.

#### ENROLLMENT, SEPTEMBER, 1954

School	JP	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	Total
Primary	49	41	51	31	40					212
Central					10	57	64	52	55	238
E. Wilton	9	11	11	9	11	13	12	12	9	97
Dryden	16	10	17	11						54
E. Dixfield	6	5	6	7	6	3	2	4	9	48
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	80	67	85	58	67	73	78	68	73	649

#### ANTICIPATED ENROLLMENT, SEPTEMBER, 1955

School	JP	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	Total
Primary	50	49	41	51	32					223
Central					10	50	57	64	52	233
E. Wilton	12	9	11	11	9	11	13	12	12	100
Dryden	15	16	10	17						58
E. Dixfield	5	6	5	6	7	6	3	2	4	44
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	82	80	67	85	58	67	73	78	68	658

### REMEDIAL PROGRAM

In order to offer more individual help to those pupils needing it, the superintending school committee last September secured a part-time teacher to do remedial work. She works on a half-day schedule with small groups at the Primary and Central schools. The beneficial results of her work, which consists of individual testing, providing adequate working materials, and teaching, is already apparent. If at all possible, this program should be extended to full-time next September and eventually the same opportunity offered to pupils in our other schools.

### CONTENT STUDY GUIDES

With the assistance of teachers, Content Study Guides in English and Arithmetic, were prepared and a copy given each teacher. These guides are an attempt to coordinate and clarify the subject matter content on each grade level from sub-primary through Grade 8. Teachers on the same grade level in all Wilton Schools may now be sure just what content areas should be covered. It is our plan to issue similar guides in geography and history by another year. The value of the Jay-Wilton Guides already issued is evidenced by the favorable comment they have received from outside the area.

### SCHOOL LUNCH

The Wilton Consolidated School Lunch Program under the supervision of Ada Allen continues to function efficiently. A financial statement covering the last school year ending last June and showing the balance as of Sept. 1, 1954 is given below.

Opening Balance Sept. 1953		\$275 10
TOTAL CASH INCOME FOR 1953-54		
1. Payments by children	\$11,069 40	
2. Federal Subsidy	2,505 31	
3. Donation from Lion's Club	200 00	
4. Adults	624 48	
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Total Cash Income		\$14,399 19
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Total Cash Available		\$14,674 29

## EXPENDITURES

1. Food	\$8,528 05
2. Labor	4,709 26
3. All Other Expense	989 33
Total Expenditures	<u>\$14,226 64</u>
Cash Balance Sept. 1, 1954	<u>\$447 65</u>

## TESTING PROGRAM

We have continued giving Stanford Achievement tests during May to all elementary pupils. Last May's test results are given below. Next May the same program will be repeated with the inclusion of the added areas of social studies, science, and study skills.

STANFORD ACHIEVEMENT TEST RESULTS  
Grade Average All Wilton Schools

Grade	No. Tested	Par. Norm	Word Mean.	Word Mean.	Spell.	Eng.	Arith. Reas.	Arith. Comp.	Aver- age
8	62	8.8	8.3	8.8	9.1	9.6	9.4	8.8	8.9
7	68	7.8	8.3	8.1	8.1	7.8	8.6	7.6	8.1
6	72	6.8	7.2	7.6	6.7	7.3	6.8	6.7	7.1
5	81	5.8	5.1	5.9	5.7	5.6	5.5	5.1	5.5
4	69	4.8	4.7	5.1	5.4	4.4	5.4	5.3	5.1
3	65	3.8	3.9	3.8	3.7	4.3	3.8	4.1	3.9
2	57	2.8	3.5	3.3	3.4	xxx	3.2	2.9	3.5
1	84	1.8	2.0	2.1	2.3	xxx	2.3	2.4	2.2

An examination of Grade Level scores above in comparison with the grade level norms indicates three grades slightly below the norm in paragraph meaning, three grades below in spelling and three below in arithmetic computation. There are single instances in other areas. It may be noted further that with one exception the grades slightly below in these areas are in grades 4-8. Apparently some pupils progress rather well up to an intermediate or upper level and meet difficulties which only special remedial help can overcome. To attempt to give such pupils extra help, a part-time teacher was added to the staff last September to work with pupils on all levels at the Primary and Central

Schools, who need special remedial assistance. These have been tested and provided with working materials that seem best fitted to their individual needs. This remedial program as now in effect should prove of great value, but the teacher should be on full-time basis.

### VISITS OF EDUCATIONAL CONSULTANTS

During February of this year, Mrs. Margaret Pattershall, Elementary Supervisor from the State Department of Education, spent nearly two weeks working with teachers in the Jay-Wilton School Union. She visited nearly all classrooms observing the program, the materials of instruction being used, the work being done by our pupils, and conferring with teachers individually and in groups relative to general or specific problems. Mrs. Pattershall is one of the ablest in Maine in the elementary field.

During the year teachers have had the advantages of two elementary workshop periods, one in Reading with Miss Van Camp of Scott-Foresman Publishing Co., whose basal reading texts and workbooks are used in all our schools, and one with Miss Sylvester of Ginn and Co. in social studies. The social studies workshop was held as an aid in our study of a basic area content in this field.

Miss Eleanor Powers of the Department of Education for Handicapped Children has visited the union on several occasions.

### FINANCES

Examination of the financial statement will show \$3,211.56 unexpended in school funds. Balances exist as follows:

Elementary Schools	\$1,533 92
School Bus Account	2,212 29
Handicapped Children	12 50
Superintendence	2 22

There is an overdraft of \$549.37 in the Repairs, Equipment, and Insurance account.

By act of the special legislature the town received an additional amount in subsidy which had not been anticipated. This resulted from the legislature's decision to pay 100% of the subsidy instead of 95% as announced, plus 5% withheld the previous year. Any maintenance credit balance, resulting from this increase is taken into account in the school budget for 1955.

**CONCLUSION**

I wish to extend my deep appreciation for the work and cooperation of the superintending school committee, Town Manager Ordway, and other town officers. This report will be concluded by the Financial Statement for the 1954 fiscal year. The reports of Principal Keay, and Leah Petersen, Music Supervisor, follow the Financial Statement.

Respectfully submitted,

GERALD D. CUSHING,

Supt. of Schools

# Wilton School Department

## Financial Statement

1954

### ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

#### Receipts

Appropriation	\$55,350 00
Balance (1953)	449 53
Interest on School Fund	94 56
Interest on Ministerial Fund	34 36
Wilton Primary School	50 00
Norman Beisaw (Books)	5 25
W.A. Home Ec. Dept.	12 00
Toll Calls	1 10
Wilton Primary School (Flag Pole)	30 00
Junior Primary (Supplies)	10 00
Dryden School (Supplies)	31 00
Tuition (Chesterville)	200 00
Wilton Hotel (Supplies)	13 55
American Legion	7 00
Boy Scouts	5 00
Canton	73 25
Recreation Committee	84 90
Tuition (Washington Plantation)	324 00
Legion Auxiliary	10 14
Beisaw's Garage	26 23
East Wilton School	17 00
Tuition (Dixfield)	2,554 73
Jay School Dept. (Supplies)	221 32
East Dixfield School	6 55
Wilton Academy (Conveyance)	158 54
Congregational Church (Conveyance)	97 00
State Fund	28,010 58

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\$87,877 59

**Expenditures**

Instruction	\$59,229 14
Fuel	4,356 21
Janitor	6,549 50
Conveyance	8,755 42
Textbooks	1,372 32
Supplies	3,740 82
Tuition	139 17
Water, Light, Power	2,201 09
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	\$86,343 67
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Balance (to 1955)	\$1,533 92

**SCHOOL BUS ACCOUNT****Receipts**

Appropriation	\$1,000 00
Balance (1953)	1,413 27
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	\$2,413 27
Expended	200 98
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Balance (to 1955)	\$2,212 29

**REPAIRS, EQUIPMENT, RENT, INSURANCE****Receipts**

Appropriation	\$4,500 00
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**Expenditures**

Insurance	\$2,332 95
Repairs	1,193 92
Equipment	1,087 08
Rent	180 00
Overdraft (1953)	255 42
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	\$5,049 37
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Overdraft (to 1955)	\$549 37

# **SPECIAL EDUCATION FOR PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED CHILDREN**

## **Receipts**

Town of Jay	\$200 00	
State Department	75 12	
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## **Expenditures**

Instruction, supplies, conveyance	\$202 62	
Overdraft (1953)	60 00	
	<hr/>	\$262 62
Balance (to 1955)		<hr/> \$12 50

# **FIREMANSHIP TRAINING**

## **Receipts**

Wilton Fire Dept.	\$35 00	
State Dept.	35 00	
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## **Expenditures**

Instruction		\$70 00
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# **SUPERINTENDENCE**

## **Receipts**

Appropriation		\$2,200 00
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## **Expenditures**

Salary of Superintendent	\$1,649 96	
Travel Expense	250 00	
Office (Lights, Telephone, Supplies)	289 96	
Overdraft (1953)	7 86	
	<hr/>	\$2,197 78
Balance (to 1955)		<hr/> \$2 22

## STATE OF MAINE

## Receipts

General Purpose Aid	\$42,710 58
Professional Credits	300 00
Handicapped Children	75 12
Firemanship Training	35 00
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	\$43,120 70

## Transfers

To Firemanship Training	\$ 35 00
To Handicapped Children	75 12
To Elementary Schools	28,010 58
To Wilton Academy	15,000 00
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	\$43,120 70

## RECAPITULATION

Account	Total Receipts	Total Expense	Balance	Overdraft
Elem. Schools	\$87,877 59	\$86,343 67	\$1,533 92	
School Bus Acc't	2,413 27	200 98	2,212 29	
Repairs, etc.	4,500 00	5,049 37		\$549 37
Handicapped	275 12	262 62	12 50	
Firemanship Training	70 00	70 00		
Superintendence	2,200 00	2,197 78	2 22	
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	\$97,335 98	\$94,124 42	\$3,760 93	\$ 549 37
Net Unexpended		3,211 56		3,211 56
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	\$97,335 98	\$97,335 98	\$3,760 93	\$3,760 93

## BUDGET

1955

Account	Spent 1952	Spent 1953	Spent 1954	Budget 1955
Elem. Schools				
Instruction	\$50,051 46	\$54,871 27	\$59,229 14	\$60,450 00
Fuel	5,139 65	4,748 53	4,356 21	4,500 00
Janitor	6,348 50	6,671 29	6,549 50	6,300 00

Account	Spent 1952	Spent 1953	Spent 1954	Budget 1955
Conveyance	\$8,020 08	\$8,422 02	\$8,755 42	\$8,500 00
Textbooks	2,777 38	1,403 00	1,372 32	1,200 00
Supplies	4,856 68	3,819 21	3,740 82	3,500 00
Tuition	339 02	138 81	139 17	200 00
Water, Light, Power	2,073 38	1,973 44	2,201 09	2,000 00
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	\$79,608 15	\$82,047 57	\$86,343 67	\$86,650 00
Credit by anticipated receipts				33,350 00
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Needed Town Appropriation Elementary Maintenance				\$53,300 00
Insurance, Repairs, Equip., Rent	\$7,859 90	\$6,997 37	\$5,049 37	\$6,000 00
Supervision	2,215 35	2,248 41	2,197 88	2,200 00
School Bus (Special Article)				1,000 00
Central School Painting (Special Art.)				2,500 00
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Total Needed Appropriation Elementary Schools				\$65,000 00

## SUMMARY OF BUDGET

Account	Raised in 1954	Budget for 1955
Elementary Maintenance	\$55,350 00	\$53,300 00
Insurance, Rep., Rent, Equip.	4,500 00	6,000 00
Supervision	2,200 00	2,200 00
School Bus (Spec. Art.)	1,000 00	1,000 00
Central School Painting (Spec. Art.)		2,500 00
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	\$63,050 00	\$65,000 00
Wilton Academy added to Elem.	35,000 00	35,000 00
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	\$98,050 00	\$100,000 00

# Report of the Principal of Wilton Academy

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To the Superintendent of Schools:

I respectfully submit my tenth report as Principal of Wilton Academy:

## FACULTY

- Harland L. Keay, A.B., Colby College, Principal, Mathematics.  
Leah T. Petersen, Boston University, Skidmore College, Vocal Music.  
Edith C. Kennard, A.B., University of Maine, English, One-Act Play and Yearbook.  
Otho F. Knowles, Busch Conservatory of Music, Instrumental Music.  
Mary L. Young, A.B., Colby College, Latin, French, Dramatics and Public Speaking.  
John S. Choate, B.S., Colby College, Science, Assistant Basketball Coach.  
Madelyn E. Buck, A.B., Gorham State Teachers' College, University of Maine, English, One-Act Play, Commencement.  
Ivan H. Crouse, B.S., University of Maine, Agriculture, Winter Sports.  
Victor A. Woodbrey, B.S., University of Maine, Physical Education.  
Jascha L. French, B.S., Bates College, Mathematics and Science, Track.  
Patricia Robbins, B.S., Husson College, Commercial Studies, Softball.  
Stanley M. Ferguson, A.B., University of Maine, Social Studies, Football.  
Jane Austin, B.A., Farmington State Teachers' College, Home Economics, Field Hockey, Girls' Basketball, Dean of Girls.  
Loretta G. Henry, Bliss Business College, Wilton Academy Secretary.

## REGISTRATION BY CLASSES

	Boys	Girls	Total
Seniors	17	21	38
Juniors	17	23	40
Sophomores	15	22	37
Freshmen	33	31	64
	<hr/> 82	<hr/> 97	<hr/> 179

## ENROLLMENT BY COURSES

	Classical	Scien- tific	Home Ec.	Agric.	English	Com- mercial	Total
Boys	3	17		31	18	13	82
Girls	32	4	9		5	47	97
	<hr/> 35	<hr/> 21	<hr/> 9	<hr/> 31	<hr/> 23	<hr/> 60	<hr/> 179

## SUBJECTS BY COURSES

Classical	Scientific	English
English 1, 2, 3, 4	English 1, 2, 3, 4	English 1, 2, 3, 4
French 1, 2, 3	Algebra 1, 2	Commercial Math. 1
Latin 1, 2	Geometry 1	Occupations $\frac{1}{2}$
Algebra 1	Trigonometry and	Civics $\frac{1}{2}$
Geometry 1	Solid Geometry	World History
U. S. Hist.	French 1, 2, 3	U. S. Government
Gen. Science	Biology	Sociology $\frac{1}{2}$
Biology	Chemistry	Economics $\frac{1}{2}$
	Physics	Home Economics 1
	U. S. Hist.	Agriculture 1
Commercial	Home Economics	Agriculture
English 1, 2, 3, 4	English 1, 2, 3, 4	English 1, 2, 3, 4
Commercial Math 1	Home Economics	Agriculture 1, 2, 3, 4
Occupations $\frac{1}{2}$	1, 2, 3, 4	Commercial Math. 1
Civics $\frac{1}{2}$	Commercial Math. 1	Occupations $\frac{1}{2}$
Gen. Business 1	Occupations $\frac{1}{2}$	Civics $\frac{1}{2}$
Stenography 1, 2	Civics $\frac{1}{2}$	U. S. History 1
Bookkeeping 1	U. S. History 1	World History 1
Typing 1, 2	Gen. Science 1	Gen. Science 1
Office Practice 1	World History 1	Biology 1
U. S. History	Biology 1	

Only one change in personnel was made this year. Miss Patricia Robbins replaced Miss Florence Greenleaf in the commercial department. Miss Robbins is faculty advisor of the cheerleaders, coach of softball and faculty advisor of the Eaglet. She is a graduate of Husson College.

Mr. Clark and his assistant sanded and varnished the senior and junior rooms and science rooms. He also built a storage space for the new piano. One of his biggest projects was the building of circular band and glee club ramps for the stage. These are collapsible for easy storage. Loud speakers in the gym have been installed on both sides. A new living room set was purchased by the Home Ec department. Last fall the students planted a Multi-flora rose hedge around the athletic field. These are only a few of the improvements made during the year.

The Boston University tests were administered to the Juniors, Seniors and Freshmen early in the fall. We invite all parents to go over these tests with us at their convenience.

Nineteen members of last year's graduating class are enrolled in colleges or institutions of higher learning. This comprises about 40% of the class.

Forty-three students are taking instrumental lessons from Mr. Knowles. The band and majorettes have performed at many affairs this year.

Mrs. Petersen has developed an excellent chorus composed of sixty-four members. This group will present a spring concert April 28.

Wilton Academy is very fortunate in being able to retain the services of excellent instructors. The fine spirit of cooperation and loyalty of the entire faculty is worthy of note. Grades received from the various colleges indicate that our graduates are doing an excellent job in higher education.

The following is a list of our student clubs and activities: Student Council, Athletic Board, Future Homemakers, Future Farmers, School Publications, Dramatics, Music, Social Committee, Office Girls, Girls Athletic Association and Traffic Squad.

I wish to thank most sincerely the Trustees, Superintendent of Schools, School Committee and friends of Wilton Academy for their generous help and support during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

HARLAND L. KEAY, Prin.

# Wilton Academy

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## STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSE

### INCOME

Income on Endowment	\$ 1,390 41
Town of Wilton	40,000 00
Tuition — Non-Resident	1,460 00
Tuition — Music and Band	1,596 50
State of Maine	
General Subsidy	15,000 00
Agriculture	1,688 96
Home Economics	1,407 47
Agriculture — Travel	107 90
Gymnasium Rental	260 00
Miscellaneous	5 46

### TOTAL INCOME

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\$62,916 70

### EXPENSE

Teachers' Salaries	\$38,881 67
Janitors' Salary	3,072 50
Office Salary	1,565 00
Fuel	4,575 45
Light and Power	2,044 60
Janitor's Supplies and Repairs	1,230 82
Building Repairs	1,225 59
Water	207 18
Insurance	1,197 13
Miscellaneous	371 55
Department Expenses — Agriculture	376 90
Science	47 03
Home Economics	325 98
Commercial	639 80
Library	176 90
Music	220 60

Office	\$338 55
Physical Education	7 27
Physical Examinations	86 50
Agriculture — Travel	215 81
Textbooks and Supplies	489 86
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TOTAL EXPENSE	\$57,297 75
Capital Expenditures	826 60
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	\$58,124 35
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ANNUAL SURPLUS	\$4,792 35

#### AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

It is hereby certified that the books, accounts and financial documents of the above named Academy have been examined for the period indicated and found to be in a satisfactory and accurate condition, with proper vouchers on file. It is the opinion of the undersigned that the above Balance Sheet and accompanying Statement of Revenue and Expenditures properly reflect the financial condition of the Academy at June 30, 1954, and the result of operations for the year then ended.

CYRUS F. FERNALD, C. P. A.

Wilton, Maine.

August 12, 1954

# Music Supervisor's Report

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To the Superintendent, Academy Trustees, School Board, and Townspeople:

I submit my annual report.

On April 4th, 1954, members of the Wilton Academy band and Wilton Academy mixed chorus participated in the Sandy-Andy Music Festival, which was held in Farmington. These two groups plan to attend this year's festival, which is scheduled to be held in Wilton on March 25th.

On May 8th, both the Academy band and mixed chorus attended the Western Maine Music Festival which was held in Auburn. Both groups received excellent ratings at these auditions.

Both the Senior and Junior Academy bands presented a concert on April 13th to a most appreciative audience. The November 17th Concert was the "Band Circus" which has been featured the past three years. A large audience enjoyed this type of novelty program.

The band also participated in the Memorial Day exercises at Wilton, North Jay, and Rangeley. The band played for all home football games as well as for all league basketball games, also for the final basketball game in the County Tournament held in Wilton and at the final basketball game in the State tournament held in Waterville.

During the summer months, the Academy band participated in the Legion parade in Phillips, the Firemen's Field Day in Wilton, and "Doc" Gran't Doll parade in Rangeley.

The Academy orchestra has played for many of the school functions during the year.

The Academy mixed chorus presented their annual spring concert at the Academy gymnasium on May 13th to a good sized audience. The chorus was assisted by Mrs. Mona Knowles, Mrs. Aletha Grover, Miss Norma Plaisted and Miss Marion Tyler, who presented two duo-piano selections. Mrs. Muriel Armstrong was our very capable accompanist.

The Academy band and the chorus presented several band and choral selections during the Franklin County Teachers' Convention held in Wilton on May 14. The members of the Academy glee club are planning a T.V. variety program to be presented on April 28th. The band is also planning a concert for the early spring.

Appreciation is extended to all parents, teachers and friends who have given their time, cooperation and support to our musical activities during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

LEAH T. PETERSEN,

Music Supervisor.

# South Franklin County Tuberculosis and Health Association

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To the citizens of the town of Wilton, the following report of your health services for 1954 are respectfully submitted.

The definition of health in the World Health Organization is "Health means a state of complete physical, mental and social well being, and not merely absence of disease, or infirmity." This state of well being is a right to which every citizen is entitled. We accept the philosophy that we are our brother's keeper and while seeking higher levels for ourselves, it is our concern that our neighbors have the opportunity to utilize the best available knowledge and services from all sources, in meeting their problems.

The first aim of our health association has been health education. The best facilities in the world are of no use until people are educated to their use. By health education we do not mean a collection of facts, but improvement in the habits and attitudes of the community. This can be measured by the provision of adequate facilities and participation in the health program, where members of the community accept responsibility and share the problems of the less fortunate. A well health educated community will be reflected in its children who will be well adjusted, well nourished, with a minimum of defects, and protected against communicable disease from infancy.

In the early history of social work we find alms giving as a salve to conscience, with little thought to the cause and effect. Some enlightened persons might feel that by providing a minimum of public health service through appropriations and contributions, they have fulfilled their obligations to health. It is unlikely that a maximum of trained workers will be available in the near future, even though the generosity of the people might make funds available. Were this possible there would still be need for the volunteer worker. Just as the trained worker with their scientific knowledge has a function, so has the good neighbor who is his brother's keeper, and there is no substitute.

In tuberculosis associations alone there are 3,000 local associations in this country who have 50,000 board members, and employ 1,500 full time trained workers. It is estimated there are 250,000 people who are in some way connected with the movement in a voluntary capacity. The trained worker initiates and guides the health program but only the citizen can change conditions in their town. Through the health council movement the public is kept informed of matters concerning health.

The Health Council is a body of representatives from agencies, plus individual citizens interested in promoting the health of the community. Its purpose is to coordinate health activities locally and to study, plan, and work for a sound community health program. It does not render direct services itself, but refers health needs to its member organizations for action and helps them to work together, preventing duplication of efforts.

When we evaluate our school health program there are many deficiencies. While we may never reach the ideal we strive to improve it. The greatest number of defects are dental but even more important are vision and hearing if the child is to get the most from school. Through the Services to the Blind we have been able to offer aid to many children in Wilton. Finding these cases early, better still preventing them, is our aim. With this in view we planned an institute on Vision Conservation in cooperation with the Teachers College and the National Society for the Prevention of Blindness. Schools cooperated by closing at 1 P. M. The program included the causes of blindness at different ages and prevention measures, educational recommendations on vision testing, teacher observation, school environment including lighting and seating, and what to do with the partially seeing child in the class room. We were gratified that so many outside of the union attended. They were registered from Portland to Bath, Auburn, Rumford, Skowhegan and Dexter and many towns within the circle, proving that there was a need for such an institute. A total of 145 attended. Testing the light at schools reveals improvements are needed in our older schools.

We are interested in having the use of a Puratone audiometer for individual testing of hearing. This would find hearing defects in the Junior Primary when something can be done about it. These would be followed as well as those referred by the teachers for hearing difficulties and those not doing well in school. The only hard of hearing clinic is in Waterville, and that is not convenient for most parents.

We held a meeting recently to determine the possibility of having a clinic in Lewiston. There are very few hearing specialists in Maine. There must also be a speech therapist as many of these children have to be taught lip reading. In spite of the difficulties involved we are confident that if we can demonstrate our need some way will be provided. We have been able to secure hearing aids for some children, but preventive care is much more important.

The teacher is recognized as a key person in developing any community health program. Changing concepts of education placed health as one of the first objectives, and the preparation of teachers is greatly emphasized. Your Executive Secretary participated in a three day work shop at Farmington State Teachers College, sponsored by the Department of Education, for instructors in Health Education at Colleges in the state, its purpose being to revise and bring up to date their manual of instruction.

Of no less importance is the preparation of our teachers in service. Considerable time and thought has been given to this. We offered scholarships to the Health Education Workshop at U of M but it was evident that this was a slow process of vitalizing our school health program. To reach more teachers quickly an extension course from the Teachers College seemed the answer. This was initiated by your health association, with the cooperation of President Scott, and five Wilton teachers completed the fifteen week course, given at the college. The course covered the training and duties of school personnel, relationship between school, home and community, the normal child and evaluation to determine the deviations from normal, meeting the needs of these children, principles of teaching health, materials and sources, the school environment, playground activities, and other related subjects. A three week workshop is planned for summer school.

This year the public health nurses in District Two are continuing the study of state resources for health and welfare and how they may fit into our program. It is helpful when counseling families to know just where to turn for help, and the limitations.

While we stress prevention, there is always need for follow up of existing handicaps, and referral to clinics, etc. Some of our children continue to be under supervision for many years.

Medical examinations were done in the eighth grade, the boys in athletics and 24 who came to the preschool clinic. A special examination for throats was done at the Primary school. Tuberculin testing is done in the junior primary and eighth grade, and x-rays offered con-

tacts of any who may react. 10 from Wilton were x-rayed at the regional clinic. The study being made by a special committee may make a difference in this program.

At the immunization clinics 25 were given the series of three for whooping cough, diphtheria, and tetanus. 16 had two, and 37 had one. Some of these were completed at the doctor's office. 68 were given booster shots and 64 vaccinated.

We have had 11 group meetings where films were shown with discussion following. There is a wide selection of health movies and we are interested in neighborhood groups, as well as organizations. Committees of the Health Council will have special interest and movies are one way of learning more about the subject. The newly formed Health Council has many possibilities, and it is hoped that when one is asked to serve, they will feel the "good neighbor spirit" and accept.

In all conferences with teachers, and in home visits the response and cooperation has been gratifying. We hope that this year, more of our problems will be solved.

Respectfully submitted,

South Franklin County Tuberculosis and Health Association

By OLIVE BONSEY R. N.,  
Executive Secretary

# Report of the Health Officer

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## To the Citizens of Wilton:

I believe my report this year, should be in the form of a News Letter, as there are some rather important events which have taken place within the past few weeks or months.

First: The Polio Situation. There were no new Polio cases reported in Wilton during the past year. There is news however, about the new Salk Vaccine which will be on the market very soon. As this report goes to print, the National Infantile Paralysis Foundation is planning to release enough vaccine to immunize all the first and second grade school children, across the nation. This vaccine will also be available to any or all other children and grown-ups within a matter of weeks, and at a very reasonable cost.

Second: The Immunization Clinics for Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, and Tetanus, and the Small Pox vaccinations, are now to be held four times a year. This is being done to accommodate the increasing numbers who are taking advantage of the clinic. During the past year we had a rather extensive epidemic of Whooping cough, but the disease has been so mild that in many cases it has gone undetected. Fortunately the treatment for Whooping cough has become very effective, so that the illness has lost the once dreaded complications it used to have.

Third: A new Health organization has been established in Wilton. The "Wilton Health Council" organized in November, 1954, is made up of representative members of most of our religious, civic, and service organizations of the town. The purpose of this organization is chiefly that of public education, but it has an interest in extending advice to families that have problems in cancer, tuberculosis and the hard of hearing, and the control of communicable diseases. It is hoped that eventually, it may serve as a spear-head for a new sewage system in Wilton, and perhaps it can assist with the development of zoning laws, and eliminate many of our nuisance complaints. There is much to challenge this organization, and we should all give it our active support.

Respectfully submitted,  
MAYNARD B. COLLEY, M. D.,  
Health Officer.

# Report of Recreation Committee

The following is the financial report of the Recreation Committee for the year ending Jan. 31, 1955.

Balance carried from 1954	\$ 280 17	
Appropriated 1954 Town meeting	2,000 00	
Total Available	\$2,280 17	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>		
Waterfront	\$417 09	
Transportation	346 67	
Playground	569 92	
Skating rink	361 51	
Total expenses	\$1,695 19	
Balance carried forward	584 98	
Totals	\$2,280 17	\$2,280 17

The Recreation Committee has completed another successful year. We were fortunate in having the same personnel of the previous year serve again last year. They are all well qualified and are conscientious. Due to the cold, rainy weather last summer the swimming had to be curtailed many days. This resulted in a surplus in the amount usually needed for transportation.

Teen age record dances were held in the Town Hall. The leaders contributing their time free.

The skating rink has continued to be well patronized, and well managed. Due to the warm weather early in the winter the program was about ten days late in getting started. This together with the lack of the necessity of snow removal, resulted in less expenditure for this activity than had been expected.

The success of this program depends to a great extent upon men and women of the community contributing some of their leisure time. It is to be hoped that more people will volunteer to serve on the committee this year.

LAWSON REEVES, Treasurer.

# Librarian's Report and Treasurer's Report

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To the Citizens of the Town of Wilton:

In making my annual report as Librarian of the Wilton Free Public Library, I thank all those who have donated books and magazines; also to the Tyngtown and Wiltona Clubs for gifts of money.

We have added about 200 new books during the year and have discarded 56 worn out books. We have in circulation, 14,675 books. Our circulation has dropped during the year among adult readers. Children's books have showed an increase in circulation. Circulation for the year, 15,455.

Respectfully submitted,

IDA MELENDY, Librarian

Income	\$2,350 00
Raised for note	500 00
State Stipend	90 00
Tyngtown	40 00
Wiltona Club	5 00
Books	14 96
Interest	292 53
Money Drawer	82 46
On Hand, Feb. 1, 1954	129 23

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\$3,504 18

<b>Disbursements</b>	
Ida Melendy, Librarian	\$550 00
Freda Durrell, Assistant Librarian	240 00
Izora Wright, cleaning	124 00
Notes	500 00
Supplies and postage	75 44

Oil	\$475 84
Maine Register	15 50
Readers Guide	7 60
Magazines	112 90
Insurance	168 64
Campbell's Book Store	195 54
H. R. Hunting Co. (books)	179 49
Double Day Book Co.	67 26
Personal Book Co.	193 42
Brittanica Book Co.	67 00
Lighting	109 00
Imperial Book Co.	97 76
Drapes for Main Library, labor	35 00
Curtain rods, stair pads, etc.	35 00
Interest on Note	12 50
Snow Removal	46 00
K. Melendy, labor	43 65
Earlon Trippe	50 88
On Hand, Feb. 1, 1955	101 76
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	\$3,504 18











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